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The Editor's Page

More Help

In this number of *THE SILENT WORKER* you will find a new feature, "What do YOU Think?" Page 31. In this department we hope to gather the thoughts of the thinking deaf, and their friends, on a wide variety of subjects pertaining to the deaf.



LARRY NEWMAN

Lawrence Newman, a teacher in the Central New York School, will conduct this new department, and with its initial appearance Mr. Newman becomes an associate editor. He has been a member of the staff, listed among the assistant feature editors, and now he takes on a more important role. He will continue his work with the feature editor, and he will assist in other departments of the magazine.

Mr. Newman is a graduate of the New York School for the Deaf, formerly "Fanwood," and of Gallaudet College. Following his graduation from Gallaudet, he attended Catholic University, Washington, D. C., and received his M.A. degree in English in 1950. He is a former editor of *The Buff and Blue*.

Another addition to the staff is John Galvan, who is the new treasurer. Mr.



JOHN GALVAN

Galvan keeps the books and holds the purse strings, a position held by Leo Jacobs before the latter became feature editor. Mr. Galvan is a teacher in the California school, of which he is also a graduate. He is also a graduate of Gallaudet College, and taught in the Kansas and Minnesota schools before settling in California.

The Deaf Child

A pamphlet with the above title, apparently the first of a series of informative bulletins from the Gallaudet College Press, has just been received.

This bulletin, according to the title page, is a "guide to current thought on education of the deaf child."

Gallaudet College is in an excellent position to evaluate the various schools of thought on the education of the deaf. It receives the products of all systems of instruction. The efficacy of these various systems in contributing to the all

around development of the student can be observed from the finished products of these systems when they enter the classes at Gallaudet. By all around development is meant not only academic achievement but social attitudes and personality.

Gallaudet could well (and should) go farther than expressing "current thought." Gallaudet, as the only institution of higher learning for the deaf in the world should take the lead in promoting proper attitudes on the part of the public. It should not be content to give expression to popular conceptions, but should, from its own experience and research, inform the public to what extent these conceptions are justified in the light of actual facts.

There are many popular assumptions concerning the deaf and their education and they have been repeated so often that they are taken as proven fact by many. Yet all too often such assumptions have no basis in fact, all too often there are no statistics available that will prove or disprove them. It is here that Gallaudet can really render a service of vital importance to the deaf.

Below are listed some popular assumptions that have not, to our knowledge, been given an objective study to see if they are in agreement with actual facts:

1. That the use of the sign language interferes with the acquisition of correct language by the deaf child.
2. That a more normal social development is the result of the deaf child being educated in the special classes of the public schools in his own community.
3. That the pre-school clinical approach to the early education of the deaf child actually results in either better social attitudes or in accelerated learning.
4. That those children who are allowed to learn and to use the sign language in their schools are inferior in speech, ability to read the lips, or in language development to those children who are denied manual means of communication.
5. That the child educated by pure oral means is more socially integrated than the child with whom manual means of communication are employed.
6. That the deaf person is happier in adult life who has been subjected to purely oral means of communication during the formative years than the one who has been educated under the combined system.

7. That the deaf can be "restored to society."

8. That the deaf will be happier when "restored to society."

9. That the language of signs has no place in the modern classroom.

10. That the sign language is "outmoded."

11. That any intelligent deaf person can become a functional lip reader.

Gallaudet is in an excellent position to prove or disprove any or all of these proper assumptions. It is to be hoped that further along in this series of bulletins reports of objective, scientific, and fully documented studies of some of them will appear.

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Among The Palms and Poinsettias

as told to ROY H. STEWART by JERRY RUSSELL

(FOREWORD: Most college boys are troubled with itchy feet—that is, a desire to see what is on the other side of the mountain. Thus it came about that during the Easter vacation of 1950 six Gallaudet boys made a trip to Canada and found themselves in Quebec, a city rich in historic lore. They discovered it to be entirely too cold at that time of the year and resolved that the next trip, if any, would be to a more balmy clime. This was not the first exploration trip by Gallaudet students. Way back when there were no automobiles, and Virginia roads were thick with mud after every rain, a number of the boys tramped to the battlefield of Bull Run and slept one night in a barn. Next day they hunted bullets and found several. One of the boys hung a bullet on the wall of his room with this facetious notice: "Caught by Theodore Roosevelt, in his teeth, in the charge up San Juan Hill.")

NOW BEGINS THE LOG of our venturesome young friends. Les Voyageurs: Jerry Hassell, '51, Texas, navigator; Marwood Burr, '54, Wisconsin, chancellor of the exchequer; and four valiant drivers, with permits, Frank Hutchinson, '51, New Jersey; Mark Wait, '51, North Dakota; Robert LeMieux, '52, North Dakota; and Richard Amundsen, Washington, post-graduate of The Kendall School. The navigator's job was to direct the car with the aid of road maps and common sense, and maybe the instinct of a homing pigeon. The chancellor was the keeper of the cash box into which we had each deposited \$60 one month before embarking on the trip. In addition we each had from \$50 to \$100 for personal expenses. The chancellor paid for the gas, lodging (if any), and miscellaneous things, all of which were paid in full, thanks to his talented head. The drivers, on whom the safety of our necks depended, were careful and each averaged 800 miles for the whole trip. Time of the trip was from December 21st to the 29th.

Supper was over and the shades of night had gathered around as we passed through the College Gate at 7 P.M., with Frank Hutchinson at the wheel, and we were headed in the

general direction of the land of palms and poinsettias. It was an all-night drive, the drivers taking turns, and at dawn on December 22nd we arrived in the historic old southern city of Charleston, S. C.—500 miles from Kendall Green as the crow flies but considerably more as the road winds.

In this charming city we learned of and saw many interesting sights, such as St. Philip's Church, St. Michael's Church, Four Laws, Dock Street Theatre (oldest theatre in America), Sword Gate House, and numerous other spots.

The bells of St. Michael's are of special interest. They were cast in a foundry in England during colonial times, borne across the Atlantic and placed in the belfry of St. Michael's. During the Revolutionary War the British broke the bells into pieces. When the war was over a citizen of Charleston collected the pieces and, at his own expense, sent them to the same foundry to be recast and replaced in the belfry. The citizens of Charleston were so impressed by this deed that they took up a collection and repaid him. The bells were rung every Sunday until the War between the States. The Confederates decided to melt the bells into bullets and shells, but before they could get around to it the Union soldiers had swept through Charleston and damaged the bells beyond repair. After the war the bells were sent again to the foundry in England to be recast and replaced in the belfry. Thus the bells made five trips across the Atlantic. To the people of Charleston those bells are precious, their tolling is golden.

Charleston has an architecture all its

own. What was most noticeable to us is that the porches are built along the sides of the houses instead of in front as is found in the average American home. Also the windows were beautifully decorated with holly wreaths in preparation for the Christmas holidays. Most southern towns and cities go all out in observing the holiday season. There are ropes of holly and evergreen, with different colored bulbs, stretching across the main streets.

Leaving Charleston, we went south through South Carolina and Georgia. We were then in the land of cotton, watermelons, and peaches, when in season. We saw our first palm tree in Georgia and also, some turpentine groves. We expected to see peach trees and saw pecan trees instead. We wondered at the numerous bridges and swamps and how in the world Sherman ever marched through Georgia. Finally, we crossed the Florida border late in the afternoon and in three hours reached North America's oldest city—St. Augustine. There we spent the night resting our adventurous souls. On the morrow we viewed the oldest house in the United States, the landing site of Ponce de Leon, the site of the first orange grove in Florida, the oldest wooden school house, and the supposed Fountain of Youth, where we drank of its waters. Alas! After drinking we found ourselves feeling the same instead of ten years younger. We also saw the old Spanish Fort of San Marcos.

Ever south was our direction and thirty minutes after leaving St. Augustine we arrived at Marineland, where the world's largest oceanarium is stationed. It cost us \$2.25 to go in-



Les Voyageurs. Left to right: Hassell, Burr, Hutchinson, Wait, LeMieux, and Amundsen.

side and it was worth it. In two huge tanks, duplicating the open sea, are barracuda, tarpon, porpoises, red snappers, pompanos, and hundreds of bright colored tropical specimens. Through 200 portholes one can see what is going on. You can see a deep-sea diver walk around the bottom feeding the fish from a basket. The porpoises, with their long snouts and comical grins, seemed the most greedy. The most memorable sight was the feeding of the porpoises from a platform outdoors over the top of the tank. This was done by the keeper, or by some spectator bold enough to try it. Tradition has it that, when the teachers had a convention in St. Augustine, Dr. Elstad got a splashing while feeding the porpoises from the platform. Well,

if any of us live to be 99 we will remember what we saw at the oceanarium.

After Marineland we headed south again in the general direction of Miami. By this time we had discarded overcoats and sweaters and were getting close to nature. Half way down the coast we were astounded as well as fascinated by three remarkable spots: limitless trees full of golden oranges and grapefruits out of this world, several orange juice stands where any of us could drink our fill for a dime, and the oceanside highway—no pavement but actually on the beach with the roaring sea only a few feet away. To those of us who come from the far west, and had never seen the ocean, it was a sight never to be forgotten.

Night had fallen as we motored into Miami Beach—an island of more than 500 hotels. There is no other place in the world as lovely as the fabulous and elegant hotels towering against the starlit tropical sky. There was lighting in all colors. Times Square, in our opinion, was out! Those beautiful hotels were so near and yet so far on account of the price asked for a night's lodging. Finally, one of us entered a nice hotel and the manager stated a price which disappointed the boy. As he turned to leave, the manager seized his arm and asked him what was wrong. He said we were a group of college students seeking adventure and did not expect to live expensively. The manager seemed interested because he allowed us to spend the night there for \$4 (averaging 69 cents each including tax). Imagine staying just a block from the Gold Coast of Miami Beach for only 69 cents!

For two days we did almost nothing except eat, sleep, and sunbathe. On Christmas Day we could hardly believe our eyes as we lay on the sand, under a blazing sun, waiting for our skins to tan. Our thoughts were only of tropical peace instead of winter's blast up in the National Capital.

From Miami to Key West was a pleasant trip, especially across the seven-mile bridge. From there we caught a Cuban plane to Havana. The charge was \$23 for the round trip. The distance is 90 miles and the time of flight was 35 minutes. Over the matchless beauty of the Gulf of Mexico we flew until the plane landed in Havana, Cuba. The atmosphere there is so different from that of America. Latin temperament and wit filled the air. About all they seemed to do was eat, take siestas, and promenade along the plazas. No one seemed to be in a hurry. Our stay was brief and we did not get to see as much of the city as we would have liked. With awe, we visited Morro Castle, a symbol of the once mighty Spanish rule and torture. A visit to Cuba cannot be complete without entering Morro Castle in Havana Harbor. The Maine was sunk only a few yards from it. In order to get around we hired a taxi driver who spoke English. He took us to a rum distillery, Sloppy Joe's Bar, a cigar factory, and to public places.

By chance we met three deaf Cubans, all men whose ages ranged from 20 to 27. Their manual alphabet and language of signs were so different from



Pictures at left show, top to bottom: a house in Charleston, S. C. The Fountain of Youth at St. Augustine, Florida; and the oldest house in the United States, which also is at St. Augustine.

ours—more “homemade gestures,” often without purpose. Their alphabet was so odd—different from both the French and the English systems. Thumb and index finger across the forehead and sliding down the face was their A; thumb and finger pinching on the lips was B; and C was just like ours.

Our night in Havana was spent in style in a grand hotel. From our room we had a full view of Havana Harbor with the beautiful Gulf of Mexico beyond. We could also see the Capitol, the Presidential Mansion, which looked huge enough to have hundreds of rooms, and the leading plaza of the city.

The next afternoon we flew once again across the Gulf of Mexico to Key West. We drove through the heart of the Everglades at night so did not get to see the dismal scene enlivened by bright colored tropical birds, Seminole Indian camps, alligators, and rattlesnakes. The headlights of our car did reveal rabbits, squirrels, herons, hawks, snakes, and here and there an odd shaped Seminole abode along the roadway. We followed the Tamiami Trail up the Gulf Coast and passed through Ft. Meyers, where Henry Ford and Thomas Edison had their winter homes, then on through Sarasota, St. Petersburg, Tarpon Springs, Tampa, and to Silver Springs, which was our objective. At Silver Springs we saw several fairylands under the water through glassbottomed and subphoto boats. Hundreds of catfish, sunfish, trout, and fish of different colors were spotted and we marvelled at them. It is said that 90% of the Hollywood underwater scenes are taken at Silver Springs. Long years ago Silver Springs was the headquarters of the Seminole Indians under Chief Ocala. White settlers coveted the place and wanted the Indians to move, but Chief Ocala refused. They were forced out and that is what started the Seminole War. Some of the Seminoles escaped, taking refuge in the Everglades, where their descendants remain. The majority of the Indians were rounded up and sent to Oklahoma, but most, if not all, died on the way. Chief Ocala was captured by treachery and confined in a dungeon at Fort Moultrie, where he died. A dark chapter in the treatment of the Seminoles.

After Silver Springs we headed for home. Finances were getting low. Most of us had only \$5 left after leaving

Havana and that is why we had to get along with so little food and sleep all the way back to Washington, D. C. About all we had to eat were oranges, tangerines, bananas, and sandwiches. I was almost orangemad when I ate, saw, and drank orange juice in the orange state of Florida.

The adventure completed, we finally entered Kendall Green on the 29th with empty tummies, joyous hearts, and weary minds. I had but 16 cents left when I entered College Hall. The college diningroom looked like one of the grandest sights we had seen. All we can say about the trip is: It was the best journey we have ever had, or expect to have.

Yes, we saw poinsettias in front yards in Florida and we sat under royal palms on the Gold Coast of Miami.



At right, top to bottom: Hutchinson, Burr, and LeMieux on Miami Beach; the oceanarium at Marineland; the travelers with their guide in Havana; and the Havana harbor from their hotel window. Morro Castle is seen in the distance.

CHINCHILLA...

The Fur For Fortune

By ELMER LONG

A GENUINE CHINCHILLA COAT is worth, at today's prices, some \$50,000, and only a few such garments are in existence. Art and Jim Atwell, on their little one-acre rancho in Inglewood, California, not a dozen miles from the heart of Los Angeles, house enough of the priceless animals to make up two full-length chinchilla coats, and have quite a few left over. The chinchillas in the Atwell barns, however, have no fear of ending up as pelts in a fur coat. They are so valuable as breeding animals that none is ever killed, for any reason. The older animals, after their productive years are over, are pensioned off in their own cages and kept, well-fed and happy, until they die a natural death.

Jim Atwell and his wife, the former Margaret Masselli, with their two children, Bobby and Dorothy, occupy a cozy cottage behind a neat, well-kept lawn. From the street, the only indication that a fortune in chinchillas lies at the back of the lot is a modest sign announcing ATWELL CHINCHILLA FARM. Although both are deaf, only Jim attended a school for the deaf. At various times in his life he studied at the Vancouver (Wash.) School, the Berkeley (Cal.) School, and the Tucson (Ariz.) School. Margaret, an oralist, went through public high school in San Jose, California. There is little of the oralist about her now, though, for in the nine years that they have been married, Jim has coached her well, until now she is a veteran at the sign language. She is one of the many deaf who have freed themselves of the straight jacket of a strictly oral environment and found happiness in the free

and fluent communication which the sign language provides. They are living refutation of the fantastic theory that oralism "restores us to society."

Margaret, we must hasten to add, has enjoyed no little fame in her own right, as a drum-majorette. In her school days, with her twirling baton, she proudly led the 180-piece band of the San Jose High School. Being deaf, she attracted much public notice. Through the Associated Press, her picture, and the story of her accomplishments, was spread throughout the world. One of her most cherished treasures is a yellowed newspaper clipping, with the accompanying story of her skill with a baton, taken from a newspaper in Manila, Philippine Islands! Ripley, the "biggest liar in the world," featured her in Believe-It-Or-Not as "the only deaf drum majorette in the world." Her last public appearance at the head of a band was at Oakland, California, in 1949, when she led the band at the Fifth Annual National Basketball Tournament of Clubs for the Deaf. Today, at 28, she claims to have retired for good. This extremely attractive woman has turned her creative talents toward her home and her family, and she asks for nothing more.

Jim's brother, Art, is the real driving force behind the chinchilla farm. A hearing man of 33, just two years older than Jim, he invested in two pairs of chinchillas in 1946, housing them in his garage in North Hollywood. Within two years, under his faithful care, the herd, as a group of chinchillas is called, had grown to such proportions that he had to seek larger quarters. Persuading Jim to join him in partnership, the two



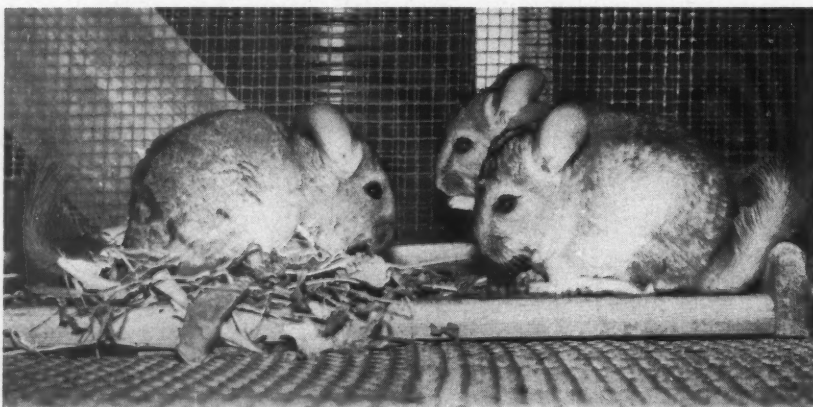
A model shows a chinchilla coat.

brothers purchased an acre of ground in Inglewood, their present location. Special, air-conditioned barns were constructed to house the animals, and with the help of a little advertising, they soon had a flourishing business. A year ago, still expanding, they invited their father, Dr. Walter Atwell, a surveying engineer in Santa Rosa, to join them as a silent partner. They now have four huge barns on the property; a fifth is under construction, and there is space on their land for three more. If business continues to grow they will have to purchase additional property.

The chinchilla is a delicate animal, from six to eight inches in length, and in appearance, somewhat a cross between a rat and a grey squirrel. No other animal has such a luxurious pelt of fur. Many people consider it a species of rabbit, but nothing could be farther from the truth. While the rabbit has long, floppy ears, the chinchilla's ears are rather short, broad, and stand straight out from the head. Another noticeable difference is the tail. The chinchilla has a long tail, covered with a heavy brush of fur, which he carries arched proudly over his back like a squirrel.

These valuable animals are almost human in many respects. Like human beings they are, as a rule, monogamous, living with the same mate until death.

Not every new owner is as lucky as the purchasers of one of these pairs from Atwell Chinchilla Farm which brought him these three beautiful females on his first litter.



But like human beings, too, they occasionally quarrel with their mates. In this case, the Atwells intervene, separating them for a time. If reconciliations fail, they are "divorced," and soon they take another mate with whom they can live harmoniously.

Another striking characteristic of the chinchilla is his cleanliness. In his native habitat in the Andes Mountains of South America, he takes a daily dust bath, as do birds whenever possible. One of the daily chores at the Atwell farm is to give the animals their baths. For this purpose they use a pure white sand, mixed generously with talcum powder. The chinchillas love it. They frolic about like children, rolling over and over and then shaking themselves vigorously. Consequently, there is absolutely no unpleasant odor in the barns where they are housed. The concrete floor is spotless, and a pleasant pungent aroma comes from the alfalfa hay which forms a staple part of their diet. They also consume scientifically prepared chinchilla pellets, which contains much of the nutrition necessary to their health. A roll of hard salt, without which they could not exist, hangs inside each cage. They drink pure bottled spring water from a sanitary dispenser. They sicken and die on tap water which contains chlorine. Air temperature is another important factor in their health. They thrive best at a temperature of from 70 to 80 degrees Fahrenheit. Temperatures of less than 70 or more than 90 degrees are extremely injurious to them.

Chinchillas do not multiply nearly as fast as rabbits. They carry their young for four and a half months, and so produce only two or three litters a year. The average litter consists of but one or two young, rarely exceeding four.



Jim Atwell in one of the chinchilla barns.

Even so, it is amazing how fast the herds grow.

At the Atwell farm, no animal is ever sold, or killed, for its fur. The chinchillas are sold in pairs, male and female, for the astonishing sum of \$1650 per pair. At this price, the life of both, and their reproductive ability, is guaranteed for one year. If either of them dies within this period, the Atwell brothers will replace it with a comparable animal. One need not pay all cash to purchase a pair. Provided that the purchaser leaves his animals in the care of the Atwells, a down payment of \$750 may be accepted, and monthly payments arranged for the balance, usually about \$35 a month—plus board. The Atwells will board and care for other people's herds for the modest sum of \$3 per month, per animal. Indeed, Jim says more of the income of the farm is derived from boarding than from the sale of breeding stock.

With so much money invested in the chinchillas, no expense is spared to keep them in first class health. Aside from the general airconditioning equipment in the barns, a small electric heater is installed at each of the hundreds of cages. A master switch regulates the entire system, in order to maintain an even temperature. Each animal is checked daily for signs of illness or disease. In the laboratory, or "hospital," are a number of isolation cages, to prevent the spread of a disease to the whole herd. The refrigerator is filled with all types of medicines, including

vitamin and penicillin extracts. Some are used in the treatment of disease, while others are merely to stimulate growth and good health. Some of these drugs cost as much as \$100 for a single vial containing only a couple of thimbles full of medicine. Curiously, the most common disease, diarrhea, is the most easily cured. A bit of ordinary pabulum, such as is fed to human infants, and a section of fresh orange, will halt the disease within twenty-four hours!

At an early age the animals are vaccinated, and identification numbers are tattooed on the hairless area inside one ear. This is about the only spot on the body where such an operation would not harm the fur. It is a ticklish operation, too, for the chinchilla has very sharp teeth, and unless he is held just so, he will surely bite. Jim, no matter how careful he is, gets nipped on the finger quite often—whereupon he drops everything and sees his doctor for an anit-tetanus injection, just to be on the safe side.

After two years in the chinchilla business with his brother, Jim Atwell swears he will never go back to his old job with the Coca Cola Company in Oakland, California. He has no competitors, for the demand for this luxury fur will exceed the supply for years to come. He can sell every animal he raises with little or no advertising. Visitors to the farm, dropping in to view the chinchillas out of sheer curiosity, often leave the premises poorer by \$1650, but richer by two of the most valuable and beautiful animals in the world!

Jim Atwell has combined a lucrative and pleasant business with a gracious and happy home. He has attained the position of independence and freedom that so many desire and so few achieve!



At left, Jim and Margaret Atwell and their two children, Dorothy, 5, and Bobby, 7½. Right, Margaret when she was drum major-ette for the 180-piece band and drum corps of a San Jose high school.—Associated Press photo.



Schools for the Deaf

R. K. HOLCOMB

Maryland State School

By HAZEL MCCANNER

Hazel McCanner, a Fredericktonian, has served the Maryland State School for the Deaf as secretary and assistant to the Superintendent for thirty years. There is probably no one in the State of Maryland better informed, or more thoroughly acquainted with the case history of graduates and former students of the school. Miss McCanner is familiar with the general program of the education of the deaf, nationwide, having attended seven of the last ten meetings of the Convention of American Instructors for the Deaf. During the thirteen years Dr. Bjorlee was Secretary of the Convention, also during his term as President, she rendered valuable assistance. Her overtime duties extended to aiding with editing and compiling material for the printed proceedings of the New York and California Conventions and the American Annals of the Deaf, 1943-45.

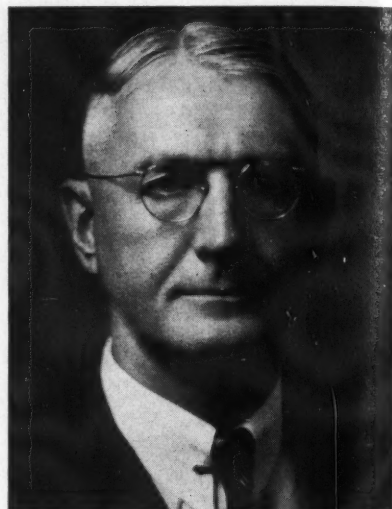
THE MARYLAND STATE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF located at Frederick, is this year completing its eighty-third session. The origin and early history of the school makes fascinating reading.

In the year 1867 while our nation was struggling with re-construction problems, following the Civil War, a group of public spirited men banded themselves together for the purpose of establishing a school in which deaf children of the state might gain their rightful heritage of a free education. Prior to that date, the Legislature had provided scholarships for Maryland's deaf children to be educated at the Hartford, Connecticut School; Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, and at Kendali School, Washington, D. C.

In seeking a location for such a school, the present site was chosen; it

being already the property of the state through a grant by the United States Government. Government ownership of the site dates back to early colonial days, for upon these grounds had been built, about the year 1750, two substantial stone barracks in which to house soldiers for protection against the Indians, in what was then a frontier settlement. In these barracks buildings the school was housed temporarily, or until the present main building could be erected. Thirty-four children with a faculty of three teachers, also a steward, matron and housekeeper, assembled for the opening term on the first Wednesday of September, 1868. The cornerstone of the Main Building was laid May 31, 1871.

One barracks building still stands and has recently been restored. This



IGNATIUS BJORLEE, LL.D., L.H.D.

Dr. Bjorlee, superintendent of the Maryland School, is one of the real friends of the deaf. It was largely because of his help and counsel that the deaf of Maryland overcame efforts to have them denied automobile drivers' licenses many years ago. He published a booklet on the subject which has been used in other states to counteract false impressions as to the capabilities of the deaf. In a speech he delivered at the convention of the N.A.D. in 1937, in which he urged the deaf to advertise, he really sounded the battle-cry for the present vigorous publicity campaign carried on by the Association.

Airplane view of buildings and part of athletic field, Maryland State School for the Deaf.



building now houses a creditable museum collection and is a structure of outstanding historic interest to the state. Its preservation appears to be much a matter of chance for the building had gone into disuse and early efforts seemed even to have been bent upon concealment as evidenced by a false brick wall. This wall was removed when restoration work began in 1931.

In casting about for an executive to head the school staff, the Board chose William D. Cooke, M.A., long and favorably known as an instructor of the deaf, he having for twenty years been principal of the North Carolina Institution for the Deaf at Raleigh. Mr. Cooke remained in charge of the school for two years when he was succeeded by Charles W. Ely, a New Englander by birth, who at the time of his selection was a teacher at the Ohio School for the Deaf.

Dr. Ely, beloved by all who knew him, remained at the helm for 42 years. Upon his death in the fall of 1912, he was succeeded by his son Charles R. Ely, Ph.D., a professor at Gallaudet College. Preferring college work as a career, Dr. Ely tendered his resignation at the close of the year in order that he might return to Gallaudet College, of which institution he was vice president at the time of his death in 1939.

Thomas C. Forrester was appointed to succeed Dr. Ely. Born in Scotland, where he received training as an educator of the deaf, Mr. Forrester came to Canada to teach at the Belleville School, was later head teacher at the Montana School, and principal of the Department for the Deaf at the School for the Blind and Colored Deaf, Overlea, Maryland. His five year term in Frederick was marked by steady progress. He accepted the superintendency of the Rochester School for the Deaf, New York, in 1918.

Up to this point the school had completed fifty years of its existence. The present incumbent, Ignatius Bjorlee, LL.D., L.H.D., for eight years instructor at Fanwood School for the Deaf, New York City, was appointed superintendent and is accordingly rounding out thirty-three years of service.

To state that the founders of the Maryland School were far-sighted, is evidenced by the fact that for fifty years the main building provided for virtually all the needs of the school. However, in order to keep abreast with modern times, many changes have been seen during the present administration. The

campus was expanded by five acres in 1924, providing a spacious athletic field with a cinder track six laps to the mile, also space for a garden and poultry houses. In 1926 a vocational training-gymnasium building was erected, and in 1928 an academic building added, thus leaving the Main Building for dormitory and administrative purposes. Complete boiler house equipment was installed. Extensive alterations to the Main Building have been made among which can be mentioned four fireproof stairway towers leading from front and rear of the dormitories and extensions to boys and girls wings for added lavatory facilities. At the present time a request is in the hands of the 1951 Legislature for extensive capital improvements including a complete new power plant and equipment, and for a library-study hall building which it is felt will



Pictured above, top to bottom: Nancy Lee Davis and Allen Russell, winners of the Girl and the Boy of the Month Optimist Award; Boy Scout troops were first organized at the Maryland School in 1923; a class employing one of the group hearing aids.



add materially to the academic facilities at the school.

Rhythmic training was introduced in 1918 and has become an established part of the school curriculum, being developed to a high degree of efficiency and unsurpassed in the profession. Military training and Boy Scout and Girl Scout activities have been inaugurated. Seventeen Maryland School boys have received the much coveted Eagle Award.

Athletics hold a prominent place, with the Eastern Schools for the Deaf Tournament each year as the highlight of the basketball season, and the annual field and track meet held on the campus at which time the Maryland School boys compete with high school teams in the area.

Group hearing aid equipment is suc-

cessfully used and in common with a vast majority of similar schools throughout the country, stress is placed on speech and lipreading with emphasis on utilizing such hearing as a child may possess. This allows for freedom of the natural language of signs on the playground, in chapel talks, literary society work or when children are conversing freely among themselves.

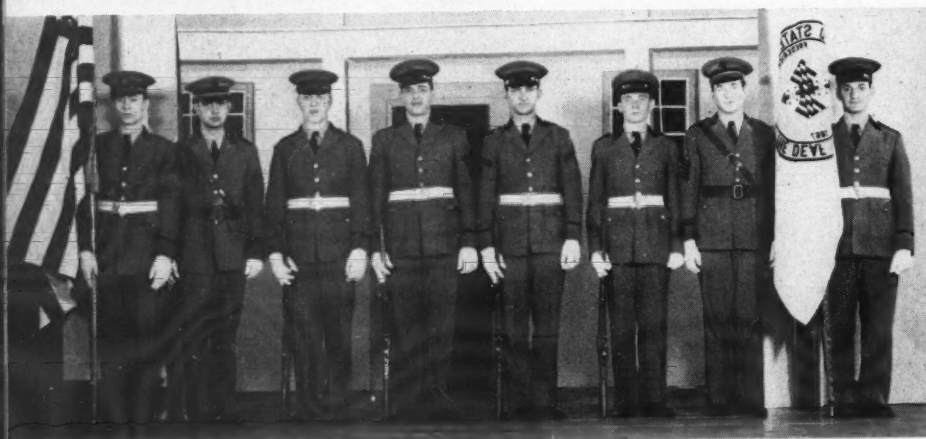
The Maryland School can rightfully boast of a loyal and devoted Alumni. Though a small state, hundreds return to their Alma Mater annually for homecoming day and at the fifteenth quadrennial reunion held in June, 1950, nearly five hundred graduates and former pupils were entertained.

Among the alumni are and have been some of the nation's outstanding deaf leaders. Best known of them all was the late George William Veditz, one of the former presidents of the National Association of the Deaf, scholar and writer. Among others were Harry L. Baynes, well known teacher of the deaf, now connected with the Alabama School for the Deaf, and Noah Downes, one of the greatest of deaf athletes.

The Superintendent, Dr. Ignatius Bjorlee, a Mid-Westerner by birth, has not confined his activities within the walls of the school nor the borders of the state. He served the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf as secretary for thirteen years and as president for a biennial period; was chairman of the Executive Committee of the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf for a number of years, and since 1932 has served the Conference as chairman of the Certification Committee of Teachers and of Training Centers for Teachers of the Deaf. Dr. Bjorlee has actively participated in civic affairs. He is a staunch Rotarian having served the local club as president and the district as governor. He served the national organization as chairman of the Community Service Committee. He served for one term as president of the Maryland State Conference of Social Welfare and in Scouting holds the Beaver award. Dr. Bjorlee's Alma Mater, St. Olaf College, conferred the degree of LL.D., upon him and Gallaudet College awarded him the degree of L.H.D. Since 1944 he has been a member of the Board of Directors of Gallaudet College.

(Next: The Alabama School)

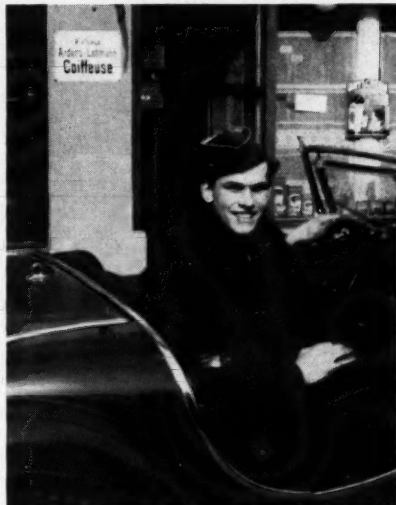
Top to bottom: The Maryland School holds high rank in rhythmic work and tap dancing; military training has proven its worth at the Maryland School; Maryland School Girl Scout Troop organized in 1933, No. 1 of Frederick; Ancient Barracks erected in 1750, now housing historic museum collection.



MAY, 1951—The SILENT WORKER



CLINTON ENSWORTH, JR.



JACK ENSWORTH



BOB ENSWORTH

CHILDREN OF THE DEAF.....

Three is not a crowd

You are now about to be introduced to a young man who has received the Purple Heart, the Combat Infantry Badge, three battle stars, and five ribbons. He is Clinton Jr., the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ensworth of Akron, Ohio.

Clinton Jr. served with the 35th Infantry Division under General Patton for a time. He fought in Normandy, including the Battle of St. Lo. However, it was at Chateau when his squad was temporarily trapped that he was wounded in the leg.

After leaving the hospital, Clinton Jr. was assigned to many tasks. He served with the Finance Corps in England and the Special Service in Belgium. He helped run a German theatre near Nuremberg and then was transferred to Southern France, where he was put in charge of a group of German P.W.s (prisoners of war) in a supply dump. Later his outfit was moved to the Pacific Theatre and from there to Japan, where it was one of the first of the occupation troops to go ashore.

In each country, Clinton Jr. took every opportunity to learn about it. There are worlds of things that he could tell us about these places. He made friends everywhere and after the war kept up correspondence with them. More than this, in 1947, he made a return trip to Europe to see his old friends in Belgium, Switzerland, Luxembourg, and Southern France. Here international relations were at their best.

Clinton Jr. has his Bachelor of Science in Education. This summer he expects to receive his Master of Arts in Geography at Columbia University.

Today Clinton Jr. is a teacher of

geography and science in Akron. He is also active in many other fields. The list is too long to mention here. However, you can definitely see he has been places and is still going strong. Where there is ability and determination, "the sky is the limit."

Jack, the second boy, is an expert swimmer and has won many medals in this aquatic sport.

During Jack's senior year, the Army drafted him. Upon reaching his camp, he discovered that fate had been kind to him. His big brother, Clinton Jr., was stationed in a barracks only one-fourth of a mile away. You can imagine the fun they had together before the Army transferred them elsewhere.

Before he was nineteen, Jack was sent overseas to fight his country's battles. First, he went to England and whom should he meet there but Clinton Jr. This time the meeting took place in a hospital.

In the Army it was Jack's job to make Bailey and pontoon bridges, clear the roads and look for booby traps in advance of the fast invading Third Army under General Patton. It was Jack's corps, the 282nd Combat Engineering, that discovered the enemy's great hoards of gold and old masterpieces in a salt mine in Germany. Jack was awarded three battle stars and four ribbons during his stay in the Army.

While overseas, Jack played football. What's more, he found the time to earn his diploma by correspondence. And most important of all, he, with a few thousand other G.I.s, gave Hitler and his gang the beating of their lives.

Today Jack is a teacher just like his older brother.

Bob, the youngest boy, is a born swimmer. He has won many medals and honors in this sport. In 1944, he won the state championship at the Ohio A.A.U. Meet.

Bob has had his share of military life, too. However, unlike his brothers, he served in the Navy. Here he was an aerial photographer for the Naval Air Forces. He is, at present, in the In-Active Naval Reserves.

Today Bob is working toward his degree at Kent State University. He is, at present, a junior. Not only is he attending regular classes at Kent State University, but he also works three nights a week at the Goodyear Plant. Naturally, he is on the swimming team at the university.

With two fine brothers setting the pace, it is only proper that Bob will make something out of himself, too. Up to now, he has made a fine start. His chief aim is to become a teacher just like his two older brothers. If this proves true and it most likely will, the Ensworth family will be able to boast of something that few other families can do . . . three boys, all teachers.

ROY K. HOLCOMB

Attention "early birds" to the N.F.S.D. Convention!

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Report From The N.A.D. Endowment Fund Headquarters:

\$40,963.80 IN CASH!
6,686.00 IN PLEDGES!!
1,101.00 IN LIFE MEMBERSHIP
PLEDGES!!!

\$48,750.80 TOTALS!!!!

The Greater Cincinnati Silent Club sent in \$68.63 as proceeds of its NAD Rally Night held Dec. 2nd . . . two Life Membership Pledges solicited . . . making a total of \$88.63.

This leaves one Club still to be heard from before I can make a full report for the year of 1950.

I left unexpectedly for Miami Beach March 22nd to let my children spend their Easter vacation with their paternal grandmother. Notified a few Miamians in advance of my coming.

To my surprise an NAD Rally Night was sponsored by the Miami Society of the Deaf following Saturday (the 24th). My hat is off to a gallant club . . . comprised of 12 or 13 members . . . there were 40 people at the affair. Movies were shown . . . and, I was asked to explain the NAD to the assemblage. The society turned over its entire proceeds (\$20) to the NAD . . . and then the fun started.

There were a number of people desiring to join the NAD as Life Members. The GRAND TOTAL of \$190 in cash and pledges was raised that eve-

ning.

Much credit is due to Messrs. Hightower, Turner, McNeilly, Schatzkin (all of Miami and vicinity), McClelland (of New Jersey) and others for their solicitation work. Thanks, friends.

And that isn't all! During New York City's NAD Board Member Marcus L. Kenner's vacation at Miami in February, the sum of \$102 in cash and pledges was raised due to the assistance given him by the same people.

That's the spirit!

Spent only four days in Miami Beach. Flew from there to Chicago for a day at the NAD Headquarters, then drove down to Indianapolis for the AAAD tournament. A marvelous affair. The NAD was well represented . . . four officers present.

My schedule at this time of writing:

April 13—Toledo, Ohio (GLDBA)

April 14—New York City (NYC NAD Rally Night)

April 16—Toronto, Canada (for one week)

April 28—Indianapolis (Indiana Assn. of the Deaf NAD Rally)

May 26—Columbus, Ohio (NAD Rally)

There are a few more commitments in June but either the dates or arrangements are not definite as yet.

Anybody know where I can get a

lifetime pass for plane or train travel and for hotels? My feet are killing me. It's a great life if I don't weaken!

The NAD Chicago Headquarters is becoming a beehive of activity . . . the one 3-drawer file is about full and here it is only 6 months since we started the office.

LARRY N. YOLLES

We'll Make It

The following remarks were written by Superintendent Carl F. Smith, of the North Dakota School for the Deaf, in his school paper, *The Banner*:

We hope they make it!

Yes, we hope the National Association of the Deaf attains its goal for the purpose of establishing a home office.

There are many reasons for our support of the above endeavor, but primarily they are:

1. The idea was conceived by the deaf for the deaf. It is an attempt by a minority group to solve its own problems without government aid. That in itself is unusual these days, but, to our way of thinking, still meritorious. One should not forget that this same group declined an opportunity to gain an additional \$600 exemption for the deaf on the federal income tax a short time ago.

2. Any national organization to be efficient and worthy of its existence should maintain a centrally located home office—a combination front door, cleaning house, research center, national mouthpiece, leader, and welder of the state and local units.

We suggest that any parent of a deaf child, any deaf person, or anyone interested in helping the deaf to help themselves, mail a check to National Association of the Deaf, Endowment Fund Committee, 121 West Wacker Drive, Chicago 1, Illinois.

We cannot help but feel that when a worthy minority group makes an honest effort to help itself, and by so doing helps the public in general, that group not only deserves our applause and verbal approval, but also our financial support.

Thanks, Carl, we'll make it.

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of the DEAF CENTURY CLUB

A ROSTER OF MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE N.A.D. WHOSE GENEROSITY IN DONATING ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS OR MORE WILL HELP MAKE POSSIBLE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HOME OFFICE FOR THE N.A.D.

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<p>B Kenneth A. Blue Mr. and Mrs. Edmund B. Boatner Miss Mary M. Brigham Mr. and Mrs. Byron B. Burnes S. Robey Burns (In ever-loving memory of his mother — passed away before Christmas, 1949.)</p>	<p>E Mrs. Anna L. Eickhoff (\$110) (In memory of her beloved husband, Arlington J. Eickhoff.) The Ettinger Family (\$170)</p>	<p>K Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. Kannapell Mr. and Mrs. John A. Kelly Mr. and Mrs. Marcus L. Kenner Thomas L. Kinsella (In memory of his son, Raymond Kinsella.) Mrs. Edna Kriegshaber</p>	<p>S Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Saltzstein Julius M. Salzer (\$115) Mr. and Mrs. Norman G. Scarvie Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Schaefer, Sr. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schatzkin Edward L. Scouten G. Sincere Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Smith (\$125) John C. Stahl Mr. and Mrs. S. Stahl Stuarts Apparel Company Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Suttka</p>
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Feb., '51	40,315.17
Jan., '51	39,738.17
Dec., '50	38,987.19
Nov., '50	37,746.99
Oct., '50	36,693.49
Sept., '50	35,553.49
Aug., '50	34,751.49
July, '50	34,048.55
June, '50	33,454.55
May, '50	32,108.35
Apr., '50	31,392.35
Mar., '50	29,699.24
Feb., '50	25,133.44
Jan., '50	23,898.44
12-31-49	23,216.44
6-30-49	21,896.44
1946	14,752.82
1940	12,698.76
1937	14,740.95
1934	15,116.90
1930	11,151.20
1926	8,365.05
1923	5,387.89
1920	3,510.99
1918	2,878.04
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1915	979.04
1913	228.00
1907	28.51

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The LONG View

By ELMER LONG

What's The Difference?

Otherwise responsible individuals have declared that the only difference between the deaf and the hearing is that the deaf are deaf and the hearing can hear. The fallacy of this argument is obvious in the great effort made by the deaf to be understood by the hearing public. Anyone can understand the mere fact that we cannot hear. It must, therefore, be the differences arising from our lack of hearing that we try to get across



ELMER LONG

to our hearing friends.

Now, if we are to educate anyone towards a better understanding of our peculiar problems, we must first understand ourselves. As long as we stubbornly insist that we are not "different" from the hearing, we automatically refuse to analyze or understand ourselves, and are totally unprepared to teach others to understand us.

The basic dissimilarity is, of course, our lack of hearing. All other variations stemming from that stark fact may be classified into three other major divergences: educational, psychological and social.

Educational—One of the greatest problems ever undertaken by the NAD, or any similar organization, is the improvement of educational facilities for the deaf child. Even with special schools, special teachers and special techniques, it is well known that the average deaf child lags, scholastically, as much as two years behind hearing children of the same age. This disparity persists right up until graduation from school, and beyond.

Comparing the high school graduate and the graduate of a school for the deaf we discover the difference is greater than we realize. The average high school graduate has had at least two years of some foreign language, has some knowledge of higher mathematics, and has had considerable instruction in science and the arts. Furthermore, a high degree of specialization in any of these subjects, and others, is available in most high schools at the option of the student.

The deaf youngster, on the other hand, graduates from school at the level of the eleventh grade, rather than at the twelfth grade as in public schools.

The chances are he has never studied a foreign language, has trouble with the grammatical construction of his own English, and is lucky if he knows even the simplest rules of algebra. Seldom does he get a chance to study chemistry or physics, and only the rudiments of literature and the arts are available to him.

All these educational inequalities invariably lead to the next type of differences, namely:

Psychological—Once the deaf child has entered school he rarely knows the freedom and the advantage of home life. His every waking moment is organized for him by others. School time, play time, study time—all are marked off into separate periods by the clock. While he is taught discipline and self-reliance to the extent of keeping his room in order and following a rigid schedule, he has no opportunity to develop personal initiative and independent judgment. By the time he leaves school as a young man, he has acquired certain fixed

Social habits that set him apart from the hearing world. The herd instinct is strong in the deaf. Living among hearing people amounts to isolation. If he returns to his paternal home after his school years, he soon departs in search of his own kind. Within a few years he finds himself in the unique position of occupying two distinct levels of society; the deaf world, which centers about his club or church activities, and the hearing world—the merchants, employers, fellow-workers and neighbors, whom he considers as a necessary nuisance in an otherwise satisfactory existence.

We now come to some facets of deaf life that are directly related to the lack of hearing. We lose entirely the convenience and pleasures of such devices as the telephone and the radio. We do not know the soothing effect of beautiful music. Family ties are weaker among the deaf than among the hearing. Our children grow up and disappear into the great world of the hearing where we cannot follow. Without family ties, the nomadic instinct is awakened. We are continually on the move, from city to city. By the time we reach middle age, we have often spent some years in half-a-dozen different states.

Whether we like it or not, we deaf are different from hearing people, and the sooner we accept the fact, the sooner we can educate the public to a real acceptance of us as we are!

The Educational Front and Parents' Department

By W. T. GRIFFING, Editor

This will mark our second effort to dispense with education through the medium of these pages. We think we warned you readers in the very beginning that were we to have sat down on the other end of Mark Hopkins' log the



W. T. GRIFFING

learned man would probably have fallen over backwards. We said, too, that we could never begin to fill the big editorial shoes worn so capably by Dr. Richard Brill. This much is perfectly clear as we get under steam: if you are going to depend on us for wisdom, you had better get a firm grip on the three R's because with us in the driver's seat anything and everything can happen here—and probably will!

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The editor writes in to remind us that we have a deadline to meet. Now, we are thinking that if only the deadline would meet us things would be decidedly simplified. Well, anyway, we are off. Hold on!

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We just know this country abounds with curious folks, that is, with people who, when they ask a question, want a straightforward answer. Some of you may have been wondering about the Johnnys and Marys; or you may have wanted to look at teachers, methods, and schools closely under a glass cage. If you are that type of person—and we hope you are—we believe we can be of help to you if you will send us the question that has been bothering you. We will not answer it. We are too smart for that. But we do have a speaking acquaintance with a lot of wise and able educators who can put you at your ease with the simplest and most logical approach to your problem. Consider this a personal invitation for this column to be of some service to you if that is at all possible.

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Word comes out of the Kingdom of Calloway that accommodations are now being arranged by mail for the hundreds of educators who will be in attendance at the convention in Fulton June 18-22. If you want a place to rest your weary head, you had better write to Supt. Truman Ingle to get his sympathetic ear. It will be nice seeing you there.

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We were talking to a friend of ours the other day about education and its

various trends. This good man served in the public schools for many years as a teacher, principal, and superintendent. As an educator he was, and is, respected throughout the state.

He spoke of teachers of today with no little heat. He thinks our schools are catering far too much to individuals whose makeup is such that under no circumstance can they ever be teachers in the sense that the term implies. He classified them as "deadheads."

He said he was heartily in favor of screening prospective teachers to ascertain their fitness for entering the profession. He went on to say that our normal schools and colleges should screen all high school graduates who wish an education major in college and to reject those who do not give promise of living up to the standards and the requirements of a successful teacher.

When he was superintendent of a school, he said, he had under him two male instructors who held doctorates. In the end he was forced to drop them from the staff because they could not teach at all; they were truly steeped in their subjects, but they did not know how to place learning in capsule form for the benefit of their pupils who were in need of help. While they were learned men, he said, they were not teachers.

He hastened to add that he was for a college education but that he would never believe a degree alone could make a successful teacher.

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Pupils in the public schools who do not take to arithmetic like a duck takes to water are now being aided by phonograph records which have addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division down so pleasantly that an understanding of these fundamentals comes readily, quickly, and efficiently. The charm is that the records can be played over and over again without spoiling the build-up.

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Dr. Helmer R. Myklebust, professor of audiology at Northwestern University, has published a fine book, "Your Deaf Child," (Charles J. Thomas, Springfield, Illinois, \$2.50) which should be in the home of everyone concerned with the deaf and their particular problems. Let us quote from an article written by Mr. Lloyd R. Parks, principal of the Kansas School for the Deaf:

"This brilliant scholar has given to the profession and parents of deaf children correct and easy to read vital information.

"The challenge to us, as a profession, seems to me to be to get this book in the hands of the people who need it most; parents of pre-school deaf children.

"One of the many fine features of the book is the reference material it provides, which includes a list of organizations equipped to give information regarding deafness, books and periodicals relating to the problem, and a directory of day and residential schools in the United States and Canada."

We did not quote Mr. Parks' article in full; we nibbled here and there just enough to give our readers a general insight as to the book and its value. Knowing Dr. Myklebust as we do, we are certain the book is all claimed of it by those who have already read it, but we believe he could have gone just a bit further and come closer to perfection. He failed to get around to mention of the sign language or the manual alphabet as a means of communication, and this is the one means of communication most readily used among the deaf. The great majority of the deaf among themselves do not use oral methods of communication, and the book could have been helpful if it had recognized this fact. There will be more about this in next month's SILENT WORKER.

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The Kansas school, come fall, will have a new training center for graduate teachers to instruct deaf children and adults. It will be under the auspices of the University of Kansas, which will grant master's degrees in specialized education with courses to be conducted at the Olathe school and at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City. About eight graduate teachers can be accommodated under this new program.

This is a very progressive step for the Kansas school to take. The authorities are to be congratulated.

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In glancing through a copy of *The New Age* we were arrested by an article about the DESOMS, Deaf Sons of Master Masons. This order was organized March 31, 1946, in Seattle, Washington. It is a secret, fraternal, and benevolent society and only those who are related to Masons by blood or marriage may become members. The order is not a Masonic organization.

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The Michigan school held its eleventh annual Parent Institute-Nursery School April 2 through April 13. Mrs. Spencer Tracy of the John Tracy Clinic highlighted the program. We hope to be able to present a report of this interesting and helpful meeting in the near future.

A \$3,000,000 Kellogg Foundation project has been launched to improve the quality of administration in public schools. Under this project the superintendents will go back to school for inservice training.

We imagine a lot of teachers are chuckling over this. At one banquet we attended a speaker said a kindly man departed this life and in due time presented himself to St. Peter. As he was being shown about he noted a room full of doctors, another one full of lawyers, etc. The teachers' room was empty. Upon asking St. Peter where all the teachers were, he was told they were in the hotter region attending summer school. Well, there is plenty of room for administrators.

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With another world war in the offing, defense plants are opening up again and the deaf are anxious to sign up for a good paying job in them. Quite a few salted away a tidy nest egg working in them during World War II, branching off into business for themselves when these plants closed down at the conclusion of the war.

Many young people dropped out of school to take up defense work. By the time the fighting was over these boys and girls were considered too old to be permitted to return to residential schools to finish their education so abruptly halted by the appeal of jobs in war plants. We think the wise thing to do is to stay in school until a diploma has been earned. Summer jobs are all right, if the plants will take school youngsters, but it is important to remember a well-balanced education is not to be figured in terms of dollars and cents.

The schools should encourage the young boys and girls not to put school days in the background in favor of the glamour of a fat paycheck in some defense plant. There is a time and place for everything, including a life work.

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We didn't think we could get this far; but here we are and no whit wiser than when we set out. We have enjoyed this little chat with you. Drop in on us sometime, even though we are no Mae West.

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Personally... By MERVIN D. GARRETSON

The Veditz Genius—I

With the chess tourney of the deaf in its decisive stages and the growing number of deaf enthusiasts for the game, it is only appropriate that we recall George W. Veditz. As far as this pawn-pusher can figure, Veditz rates being labeled the greatest chessplayer in deafdom.



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It was in 1915 that Veditz got his first recorded chance to play a grandmaster, American chess champion Frank J. Marshall. This occurred at Colorado Springs during part of a triumphal tour of the country by Marshall, who frequently played as many as 60 competitors simultaneously without losing a single game. Out of fifty-one chess amateurs to play the champion at Colorado Springs, the silent but altogether dangerous Veditz was the only one to leave the challenging taste of defeat with the master.

The cover picture shows the Veditz chessmen which, guided by his genius, were instrumental in causing the upset of one of the world's most renowned chessplayers. This exquisite set of extra-fine boxwood was purchased in Chicago some 60 years ago. Upon the death of its owner, it continued victorious in that through sale and resale some \$200 was poured into the coffers of the Dixie Home for Aged Deaf—a lasting memorial to George W. Veditz.

Gazing at the board, though modestly disclaiming any of the Veditz chess skill is Dr. Ignatius Bjorlee, superintendent of the Maryland School for the Deaf at Frederick. Dr. Bjorlee was the eventual purchaser of this board, out of a long interest in its original owner, himself a product of the Maryland school. For years they carried on an extensive correspondence. Dr. Bjorlee relates that he "never ceased to marvel at" the profundity of the observations, the deep reservoir of knowledge, the rare expressive talent and the all-around versatility of George W. Veditz.

It might also be mentioned that in 1917, in the last chess game he was known to have played, Veditz came near winning a draw from Jose Capablanca, world's chess champion, and one of the strongest woodpushers the world has ever known. Veditz had two pawns to Capablanca's three toward the finale, and after six hours of play, lost in a

moment of miscalculation. To last for any length of time with the great Cuban artist was in itself very much an achievement for a non-professional.

It is typical of Veditz that he should develop his chess-playing to the degree of excellence he did. Anything he undertook to achieve with any degree of enthusiasm at all, received his fullest efforts. Each facet of the subject was explored, contemplated, analyzed, added-and-subtracted, and often discoursed upon in long, brilliant articles.

Many old-timers may question the authority, or right, of a member of the younger generation to appraise this former NAD president, thinker and prolificist. No one, I hope, begrudges me the privilege of trying. History has it that a man can be judged better by disinterested observers of a newer era than by his own contemporaries. In this light, and with a fairly ample bit of research, I would like to dust off the bits of personal trivia and other surfacial thorns that may have tended to shadow the roses in a great man's life.

Personally, I think it may be interesting and thought-provoking to many of our younger readers, some of these achievements made by Veditz. Naturally, most all of them were done while we were still chafing under short pants, knee-deep stockings and pigtails. Otherwise there would be no point in this re-introducing George W. Veditz.

It is apparent immediately that Veditz was one of those men who refused to recognize a "time-out." Life to him was one big game with no quarters taken or given. When really aroused, his was a vitriolic and scornful pen, a Lincoln Steffens type of muckracking for those individuals he felt were insincere. It is obvious, too, that while this made for enmity, they generally gave Veditz a grudging respect. Probably the fighting, word-slinging firebrand consoled himself with the advice that worthy and respectful enemies are much more to be desired than lukewarm and vacillating friends.

However, from a purely objective standpoint, it is impossible to sidetrack or minimize the numerous fields of attainment which consisted the acreage of this brilliant deffman. It is with these concrete and unquestionable successes that *Personally* wants most to acquaint our readers.

Next month we will go further into those things which made the life of G. W. Veditz so full and interesting.



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DES MOINES CAPTURES AAAD NATIONAL CAGE TITLE

By ART KRUGER

TABBED BY OLD-TIMERS as well as current followers as the very best club of the deaf basketball team ever seen on courts, the Des Moines Silent Club cagers captured the seventh annual AAAD National Basketball Tournament Saturday night, March 31, before 2,000 spectators, by defeating Milwaukee Silent Club, 57-48, in the finals.

Marvin Tuttle paced the winners with 22 markers as Des Moines held a 31-21 halftime lead and was in command throughout.

Des Moines, purring with power, and a rangy, hard-fighting crew of former Iowa School for the Deaf stars, became the second club to annex the tourney crown two times. It won its first title at Oakland, Calif., in 1949, Buffalo was the other club to cop the national championship twice, accomplishing the feat in 1945 at Akron, Ohio, and in 1948 at Philadelphia, Pa.

Tuttle, husky 6-foot 3-inch, 210 pound forward was the most outstanding performer of this meet. He established a raft of new highs. He poured in an average of 26.2 points per contest, or 80 points in three games, which was 19 more than the previous high of 61

held by his teammate, Larry Marxer, in 1948 at Philadelphia. His 40 digits against Detroit was also tops but it was shortlived when Angel Acuna of Tucson bucketed 42 points against Indianapolis for a new individual scoring record in one game, Tuttle sank twelve foul goals against Detroit to set a new single game mark in this department, and tied the old mark with 16 conversions in three games. He also established a new three-game record for total field goals—32.

And Tuttle wasn't a one-man gang. That's exactly what made the Iowans an unbeatable club. Robert Fisher, 5-foot 9-inch guard, was good enough to earn first team All-Tourney honors. Although diminutive, Fisher was one of the smoothest and classiest perfectionists ever to grace the hardwood floors in the club of the deaf circles. He was Des Moines' floor general, playmaker and defense standout, and had a personal total of 35 points in three games. Larry Marxer, 6-foot 2-inch center, made the second team. Larry Buchholtz, Roger Dempewolfe and Wilbur Sawhill could have made just about



1951-52 AAAD Officials. Left to right: Leonard Warshawsky, President, Chicago, Ill.; Hugh Cusack, Vice President, Philadelphia, Pa.; Art Kruger, Secretary-Treasurer, Los Angeles, Calif.

every other club team in the nation, too.

Before going to Indianapolis, Des Moines won over the Iowa State AAU Championship Troy Laundry team.

The congratulations of all basketball players and basketball fans are being extended to the Iowans who so decisively won the national crown. THE SILENT WORKER joins in the tribute to the champions.

Held at Indianapolis, Ind., for the first time, the tournament started at 5:30 p.m., Friday, March 30, in Tech High School's sprawling gymnasium, which has a seating capacity of 4,500.

Mayor Phil Bayt officially opened the tournament when he tossed the first jump ball between clubs representing Little Rock and Tucson, initial tournament contestants.

Little Rock was Southwest champion and defending national titleholder. Tucson entered the meet for the first time when it upset Los Angeles in the Far-



Left: Wallace Reinick of Milwaukee connects for two points in the Milwaukee-Des Moines championship game. Under the basket is Des Moines' Roger Dempewolfe, and behind Reinick is Larry Marxer. Milwaukee player No. 11 is Hilary Heck, and the referee is Frank Baird.

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west competition. Los Angeles, out of tournament contention for the first time in six years, was the 1946 national champion.

In the second game, starting at 7:00 p.m., Milwaukee battled Washington. Both squads were in the national meet for the second year in a row. Milwaukee was West Central champion and Washington represented the Southeast.

Last year's runner-up, Des Moines, pitted its height and four-year record against the smallest team in the meet, Detroit. The game started at 8:30 p.m. Detroit was East Central winner while Des Moines was the king of the Midwest.

In the final game of the first round championship play, which started at 10:00 p.m., Newark, Eastern champion, tangled with the host team, Indianapolis. Both were first-time tourney contestants.

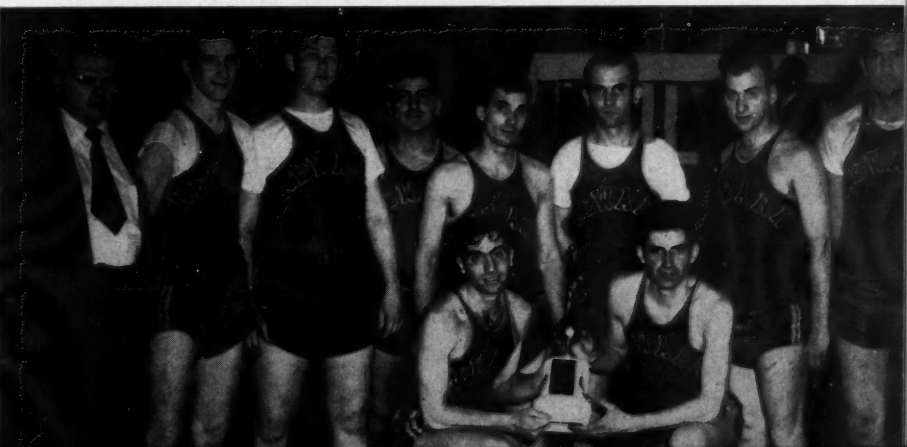
Little Rock, Des Moines, Milwaukee and Newark were seeded one-two-three-four in the tournament and all advanced to the semi-finals.

Little Rock's dream of becoming the first club to win the national crown the second time in a row was splintered in the semis when the surprisingly strong Milwaukee five, coached by uncomparable Tony Panella, dethroned it in the best game of the tourney, 65-60, on the sensational shooting of 5-foot 9-inch forward Hilary Heck, former St. Mary's school for the deaf cage star. He racked up 27 points and contributed a remarkable exhibition of floor play. It was Milwaukee's best game under the eight-year coaching tenure of Panella. At one time Little Rock was ahead by 11 points, 18-7, but the situation changed abruptly when Heck broke away with several consecutive sensational baskets and kept Milwaukee very much in contention before winning.

Clyde Nutt, one of the deaf all-time cage greats, salvaged something for Little Rock, however, when he flung in 34 points in the play-off game for third place against Newark, winning 78-51, for the tourney's third highest scoring honors, and was named as the most valuable player of the meet. Little Rock, by the way, was the highest scoring team in the tournament with 210 points in three games for an average of 70 points per contest. This obliterated the mark of 182 set by Des Moines in 1948 at Philadelphia.

Conrad Stedrak, 6-foot guard, sparked Washington to a 79-54 victory over Detroit for fifth place when he netted 24 points.

Pictures at right, top to bottom: Des Moines, AAAD champions; Milwaukee, runners-up; Little Rock; and Newark.





Tucson surprised the fans by setting a new tournament scoring record in blasting Indianapolis, 97-57, in a game for seventh place. The previous AAAD was 85, set by Los Angeles in 1943 and Pittsburgh in 1949. Tucson's victory was accomplished on Angel Acuna's record-breaking 42 point scoring stint.

As we see it, nine of AAAD's eleven recognized records were shattered and one was tied. The other marks broken were one-team field goals in one game by Tucson—40, and individual field goals in single game by Acuna—17.

Another high spot was noted when each of eight contestants wound up with an average of more than 50 points per game, the first time this has been done in the seven-year history of the tournament.

In the other semis Des Moines had a terrific scare before beating Newark, 71-62. The Iowas had a 62-61 lead with a few minutes to play, and the crowd screaming for an upset. Quick shots by Tuttle, Fisher, et al provided the victory margin.

All-tournament teams were:

FIRST TEAM—Clyde Nutt and Hilary Heck, forwards; Marvin Tuttle, center; Robert Fisher and Angel Acuna, guards.

SECOND TEAM—Roland Moore (6'5") of Detroit and Larry Marxer, forwards; J. L. Jackson, Little Rock, center; Mike De Mauro of Newark and Conrad Stedrak, guards.

Indianapolis was awarded the team sportsmanship trophy. The individual sportsmanship trophy donated by THE SILENT WORKER went to 5-foot 6-inch forward Bernard Trayner of Detroit.

General Chairman Charles E. Whisman, his Tournament Committee and the Indianapolis Deaf Club did a marvellous job in laying the groundwork for the huge tournament. They went all out to give the occasion wide publicity and to make the meet most pleasant and productive.

Kansas City asked for and was given the chance to entertain the 1954 tournament. Los Angeles won over Brooklyn by a wide margin for the 1955 meet.

As already had been voted in previous meetings, next year's tournament will be held at Houston, Texas, and the 1953 meet at Milwaukee, Wis.

Offices of second and third vice-presidents were discarded, and the following officers were re-elected by acclamation: Leonard Warshawsky of Chicago, president; Hugh J. Cusack of Philadelphia, vice-president, and Art Kruger of Los Angeles, secretary-treasurer.

Top to bottom: Washington, D. C.; Detroit; Tucson; Indianapolis. Teams are pictured in order of their rank in the tournament.

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AAAD Tournament Box Scores

Game 1—First Round

Little Rock			Tucson		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Nutt	12	2 26	Montes	6	1 13
Passmore	6	3 15	Reynolds	0	2 2
Jackson	5	3 13	Slade	2	4 8
Mercer	4	2 10	Baldrige	1	2 4
Hicks	1	1 3	Acuna	9	4 22
Owens	0	1 1	Asanovich	0	0 0
H. Williams	2	0 4			
Totals	30	12 72	Totals	18	13 49

Half-time score: Little Rock, 29; Tucson, 19.

Game 2—First Round

Milwaukee			Washington		
G	F	P	G	F	P
W. Reinick	7	1 15	Cuscaden	0	0 0
Heck	5	2 12	Kendrick	5	1 11
Plocar	5	5 15	Scott	1	1 3
Hinek	3	0 6	Padden	1	3 5
D. Reinick	1	2 4	Stedrak	6	5 17
Janczak	4	1 9	Christian	4	0 8
Secora	2	0 4	Collins	1	1 3
Peterson	3	2 8	Ammons	0	0 0
Capinski	0	0 0	Keaton	0	0 0
Totals	30	13 73	Totals	18	11 47

Half-time score: Milwaukee 35; Wash. 23.

Game 3—First Round

Des Moines			Detroit		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Tuttle	14	12 40	Trayner	8	1 17
Buchholz	5	1 11	Marchuk	3	1 7
Marxer	3	0 6	Moore	4	4 12
Fisher	4	2 10	Popp	0	2 2
Dempewolf	0	0 0	Kankula	0	0 0
Routans	2	0 4	Carr	0	1 1
Good	0	0 0	Riley	3	1 7
Sawhill	3	3 9	Filowait	0	0 0
Van Hement	0	0 0	Solak	0	0 0
Totals	31	18 80	Totals	18	10 46

Half-time score: Des Moines, 36; Detroit, 22.

Game 4—First Round

Newark			Indianapolis		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Sorgi	4	1 9	Letcher	3	0 6
Renick	9	4 22	Stafford	2	1 5
De Mauro	9	6 24	Hagemeyer	7	2 16
Buratti	0	0 0	Massey	5	1 11
Czerkies	1	3 5	La Vallee	3	1 7
Mikos	0	0 0	Northcutt	4	0 8
Patten	6	0 12	B. Williams	0	0 0
Totals	29	14 72	Totals	24	5 53

Half-time score: Newark, 39; Indianapolis, 30.

Game 5—Consolation

Washington			Tucson		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Kendrick	5	3 13	Montes	1	0 2
Cuscaden	5	0 10	Reynolds	3	1 7
Scott	2	0 4	Slade	3	6 12
Stedrak	2	0 4	Baldrige	2	2 6
Padden	3	1 7	Acuna	4	2 10
Christian	2	1 5	Asanovich	0	1 1
Keaton	0	0 0	Moreno	1	1 3
Collins	0	0 0	Greer	0	0 0
Totals	19	5 43	Totals	14	13 41

Half-time score: Washington, 23; Tucson, 22.

Game 6—Consolation

Detroit			Indianapolis		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Trayner	7	2 16	Letcher	1	1 3
Marchuk	7	2 16	Stafford	4	1 9
Moore	10	2 22	Hagemeyer	7	3 17
Popp	3	0 6	La Vallee	0	1 1
Kankula	1	0 2	Massey	7	2 16
Solak	0	0 0	Northcutt	1	0 2
Filowait	0	1 1	Brewer	0	1 1
			B. Williams	1	0 2
Totals	28	7 63	Totals	21	9 51

Half-time score: Detroit, 32; Indianapolis, 28.

Game 7—Semi-Final

Milwaukee			Little Rock		
G	F	P	G	F	P
W. Reinick	4	3 11	Nutt	8	2 18
Heck	12	3 27	Passmore	7	1 15
Plocar	1	0 2	Jackson	6	4 16
D. Reinick	5	0 10	Mercer	4	2 10
Hinek	1	1 3	Hicks	0	0 0
Janczak	1	0 2	Owens	0	0 0
Peterson	5	0 10	H. Williams	0	1 1
Capinski	0	0 0			
Totals	29	7 65	Totals	25	10 60

Half-time score: Milwaukee, 36; L. R. 34.

Game 8—Semi-Final

Des Moines			Newark		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Tuttle	8	2 18	Renick	5	4 14
Buchholz	6	0 12	Sorgi	3	0 6
Marxer	6	3 15	De Mauro	8	1 17
Dempewolf	3	1 7	Czerkies	3	0 6
Fisher	4	4 12	Mikos	3	1 7
Sawhill	3	1 7	Buratti	2	0 4
			Patten	4	0 8
Totals	30	11 71	Totals	28	6 62

Half-time score: Des Moines, 38; Newark, 25.

Game 9—Seventh Place

Tucson			Indianapolis		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Reynolds	4	2 10	Letcher	7	0 14
Montes	4	0 8	Stafford	3	2 8
Slade	10	3 23	Hagemeyer	4	1 9
Baldrige	3	4 10	Massey	2	1 5
Acuna	17	8 42	La Vallee	1	2 4
Asanovich	1	0 2	Northcutt	4	2 10
Greer	1	0 2	Brewer	1	0 2
			B. Williams	1	0 2
Totals	40	17 97	Bumgardner	1	1 3

Half-time score: Tucson, 43; Indianapolis, 29.

Game 10—Fifth Place

Washington			Detroit		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Kendrick	6	1 13	Trayner	1	4 6
Cuscaden	3	1 7	Marchuk	9	1 19
Scott	3	5 11	Moore	9	3 21
Padden	2	0 4	Popp	0	0 0
Stedrak	11	2 24	Kankula	1	0 2
Christian	7	2 16	Filowait	0	0 0
Collins	0	0 0	Solak	0	0 0
Keaton	0	0 0	Carr	0	0 0
Ammons	2	0 4	Riley	3	0 6
Totals	34	11 79	Totals	23	8 54

Half-time score: Washington, 41; Detroit, 29.

Game 11—Third Place

Little Rock			Newark		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Nutt	15	4 34	Sorgi	2	1 5
Passmore	10	0 20	Renick	8	1 17
Jackson	6	3 15	De Mauro	4	3 11
Mercer	2	2 6	Buratti	0	4 4
H. Williams	1	0 2	Czerkies	2	1 5
Owens	0	0 0	Asanovich	2	0 4
Hicks	0	1 1	Patten	1	0 2
Totals	34	10 78	Totals	20	11 51

Half-time score: Little Rock, 34; Newark, 26.

Game 12—Championship

Des Moines			Milwaukee		
G	F	P	G	F	P
Tuttle	10	2 22	W. Reinick	3	2 8
Buchholz	0	0 0	Heck	3	1 7
Marxer	6	1 13	Plocar	5	2 12
Dempewolf	3	1 7	D. Reinick	3	1 7
Fisher	6	1 13	Hinek	0	0 0
Sawhill	1	0 2	Secora	1	0 2
			Janczak	1	0 2
Totals	26	5 57	Peterson	3	2 8
			Gapinski	1	0 2
			Totals	20	8 48

Half-time score: D. M., 32; Milwaukee, 21.



MYRON SMITH

PLAYER OF THE YEAR—Myron Smith, backfield ace of the Minnesota School for the Deaf football team, holds the SILENT WORKER trophy awarded him as the "School for the Deaf Football Player of the Year 1950." Presentation of the trophy was made by Wesley Lauritsen, MSD Athletic Director and SILENT WORKER staff writer, at regular assembly on March 8.

Chinese Deaf Wins 10-Miler

Lau Wen-Ngau, 33-year-old deaf from Hong Kong, who was featured in the October 1950 number of THE SILENT WORKER, pounded to victory last March 18 in the 10-Mile Montebello Road Race in California, setting a new record for the gruelling run of 53m. 58.7s.

Rushing into the lead almost immediately, Lau remained in front throughout and outdistanced the field of 14 with ease. His time was more than 2½ minutes faster than the mark of 56m. 30s. set by Walter Deike, Wisconsin University, last year.

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St. Mary's Captures ESSDAA Tourney

By F. LEON BAKER

St. Mary's of Buffalo pulled a herculean feat in the Nineteenth Basketball Tournament of the Eastern States Schools for the Deaf Athletic Association held last March 1-2-3 at the Pennsylvania School, Mt. Airy.



F. L. BAKER

For St. Mary's forced proud New York to bow, 43-39, in the championship game. New York had won two years in a row and was heavily favored to make it three straight.

St. Mary's had already captured second place in a tournament in a fast Catholic league in upstate New York. The boys of Coach John Rybak planned to fly to Philadelphia Thursday night, March 1, but bad weather made a train trip necessary. The St. Mary's team arrived at Mt. Airy scarcely an hour before playing Virginia Friday morning. St. Mary's easily defeated Virginia; then reached the finals by beating a good Pennsylvania team.

Meanwhile New York had reached the finals by easily disposing of Rhode Island, 87-23, Western Pennsylvania, 82-55, and American, 62-47. But St. Mary's was a different proposition.

The championship contest was played on the beautiful court of brand new Lincoln High School, which was a \$2,000,000 plus project.

For details of this stirring game, see the tourney highlights. Suffice it to say here that it is very rarely that two teams of such outstanding calibre as

St. Mary's and New York (1951) appear in our schools for the deaf.

Pennsylvania 51, West Virginia 23

West Virginia and Mt. Airy opened the 1951 ESSDAA tourney. The teams put up a close battle during the first half, but thereafter Mt. Airy picked up steam to win in easy fashion. Adriano Manieri and Barry Copeland paced the victors, while Hugh Boyd played well for the Mountaineers.

New Jersey 47, Maryland 45

New Jersey and Maryland put up a terrific battle that had the spectators on edge. The game was also featured by a mix-up at the scoring table. Many in the crowd (including this reporter) had Maryland ahead at the end. Raymond Miklos and Stephen Kiczek led New Jersey. Donald Leitch, Nathan Kambarn and David Neill stood out for Maryland.

Western Pa. 44, Central New York 43

Little emphasis was placed on finesse in this game. Play was rough, shooting erratic, and passing wild. The Rome boys were much taller, but WPSD made up for this in fight and more coolness under fire. WPSD was led by its little center, Eddie Hill. The winners pulled a good one-minute freeze to preserve the victory.

New York 86, Rhode Island 23

The New York School opened its quest for its third consecutive title by easily defeating a game Rhode Island team. The Fanwood boys seemed as potent as ever. Hugo Guidi and Angelo Capozzi at center and Clifford Seifried led the star-studded New York team.

American 48, Kendall 40

Leroy Fitts, a 6-5 center of American, was as hot as a firecracker as he led his mates to a 48-40 triumph over a good Kendall School five. Fitts, playing little more than half the game, scored 31 points. John Miller and Neil Battle were best for Kendall.

Pennsylvania 58, New Jersey 26

The Mt. Airy boys were not extended in this game. Using its height to best advantage over the small Jersey boys, Pennsylvania won going away. This game eliminated New Jersey.

St. Mary's 64, Virginia 31

St. Mary's for a while seemed faced with a stiff fight, as they had only a 13-11 advantage in the first quarter. From then on, however, the Saints baffled the Southerners with their brand of legerdemain to win with ease. Quentin Amati paced the winners with 13, but Virginia's Rodney Quillen took the scoring honors with 14.

New York 82, Western Penna. 55

Western Pennsylvania put up a spirited battle but was no match for tourney-wise Fanwood. New York was sluggish in spots but Hugo Guidi caged 45 points. In the third period the Pittsburghers, led by Louis Ferraro, rallied against Fanwood's subs, but it was too late. Guidi's mark was a new record.

St. Mary's 57, Pennsylvania 44

The well-coached St. Mary's boys beat the host club without too much trouble, but could never afford to let up. Amati and Robert Lagomarsini, transfers from the defunct St. Joseph's team, led the winners. Jerry Heidler stood out for Mt. Airy.

New York 62, American 47

An expected scoring duel between New York's 6-3 center Guidi and American's Fitts failed to materialize when Fitts got four fouls in the first quarter. The Fanwood boys engineered by Guidi and Tom Lorello, thus gained a final berth, picking up steam as the game progressed.

Pennsylvania 50, American 26

American disappointed the crowd present for the finals with a ragged game after getting off to a good start. Mt. Airy never gave Fitts too much chance to score. Manieri and Donald Brady sparked Pennsylvania's victory for third place honors.

At left, St. Mary's first ESSDAA tourney championship team, the 1950-51 edition. Left to right: Coach John Rybak, Quentin Amati, Albert Mariani, Robert Lagomarsini, James Meagher, Robert MacKenzie, Co-Captain William Flanders (9), John Wojton, Richard Miskell, Co-Captain Charles Bronder, Ignatius Balone, and Manager John McGowan.



St. Mary's 43, New York 39

The championship game between two very fine teams was well-played and pleased the large crowd on hand.

St. Mary's, led by clever Bob Lagomarisini, Charles Bronder, and Quentin Amati, used speed and deception to offset the sparkling play of Guidi and Lorello of Fanwood in the first half and left the floor at the half only a point behind, 24-25.

After intermission, William Flanders and Bob MacKenzie of St. Mary's hung on Guidi like a leech to throttle his point-making. Lorello and Frank Sheldone, however, kept New York in the game with beautiful long shots.

Meanwhile Lagomarisini skillfully engineered a steady attack that kept St. Mary's ahead, although never by more than four points. When Fanwood's Clifford Siefried and Lorello fouled out, it virtually clinched victory for a fine St. Mary's team—a true champion.

Thus New York, with two straight tourney championships, was forced to give up its crown, but make no mistake—New York has a fine team and will be right back for another crack next year. But so will Coach John Rybak's terrific St. Mary's team.

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West Virginia won the consolation trophy by defeating Virginia in the consolation finals, 48-30. West Virginia advanced to the finals by walloping Central New York, 51-24, for its first victory in tourney history, and eliminated Kendall, 39-31.

Virginia gained the consolation finals by edging Maryland, 45-43. This game between two old rivals went into two overtime periods and had the crowd in a frenzy. It was 36-36 at the end of four quarters. Virginia's Richard Hammock got a free throw to make it 43-43 at the end of the first overtime. Then in the "sudden death" period, Virginia's Tom Harmon sank a set shot. Leitch scored 23 for Maryland.

Maryland easily downed Rhode Island, 46-21, to advance to the consolation semi-finals with Virginia on Leitch's 22 point scoring stint.

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Worcester 112, Fairfield 33 (final)

EASTERN FINALS

Newark 50, Paterson 40
Pittsburgh 49, Trenton 21
Newark 56, Worcester 51
Golden Tornadoes 59, Pittsburgh 53
Paterson 45, Trenton 38 (5th place)
Pittsburgh 67, Worcester 45 (3rd place)
Newark 64, Golden Tornadoes 56 (final)

OHIO STATE

Youngstown 34, Cleveland DC 13
Columbus 24, Cleveland AD 20
Cleveland AD 44, Cleveland DC 20
Akron 52, Youngstown 37
Youngstown 29, Cleveland AD 20 (3rd place)
Columbus 47, Akron 37 (final)

INDIANA STATE

Kokomo 42, Hammond 14
South Bend 63, Indianapolis 42
Indianapolis 46, Hammond 39 (3rd place)
South Bend 79, Kokomo 29 (final)

ILLINOIS STATE

Southtown 61, Chicago 43
Joliet 49, Lincoln 29
Southtown 48, Rockford 43
Joliet 48, East St. Louis 43
East St. Louis 65, Rockford 57 (3rd place)
Southtown 64, Joliet 57 (final)

WISCONSIN STATE

Madison 47, Beloit 35
Milwaukee 53, Madison 33 (final)

MICHIGAN STATE

Detroit 69, Flint 56
Detroit 75, Motor City 61 (final)

EAST CENTRAL FINALS

Columbus 44, Dayton 30
Detroit 38, Columbus 31 (final)

WEST CENTRAL FINALS

Milwaukee 46, South Bend 32
Southtown 61, Kokomo 37
South Bend 69, Kokomo 20 (3rd place)
Milwaukee 67, Southtown 64 (final)

MIDWEST FINALS

Des Moines 66, St. Paul 52
Omaha 58, Wichita 25
Sioux Falls 45, Denver 42
Kansas City 59, Council Bluffs 36
St. Paul 77, Wichita 15
Des Moines 63, Omaha 50
Kansas City 59, Sioux Falls 46
Council Bluffs 54, Denver 50
St. Paul 89, Council Bluffs 38 (5th place)
Omaha 71, Sioux Falls 54 (3rd place)
Des Moines 59, Kansas City 53 (final)

SOUTHWEST FINALS

Houston 41, Jackson 32
Little Rock 54, Baton Rouge 27
Houston 35, Dallas 21
Jackson 52, Baton Rouge 30
Jackson 48, Dallas 44 (3rd place)
Little Rock 51, Houston 36 (final)

SOUTHEAST PLAYOFF

Winston-Salem 39, Atlanta 24
Birmingham 67, Atlanta 40
Birmingham 45, Winston-Salem 44 (championship)

SOUTHEAST FINALS

Washington 48, Baltimore SOC 38
Baltimore YSC 30, Richmond 11
Birmingham 40, Baltimore YSC 36
Washington 74, Birmingham 49 (final)

FARWEST FINALS

Tucson 72, Vancouver 31
Los Angeles 46, Boise 34
Oakland 53, Salt Lake City 35
Tucson 43, Hollywood 17
Los Angeles 59, Oakland 44
Salt Lake City 37, Boise 29
Salt Lake City 38, Hollywood 29
Oakland 48, Vancouver 30
Oakland 58, Salt Lake City 37 (3rd place)
Tucson 48, Los Angeles 45 (overtime-final)

LOOK, MA, FOUR HANDS. Angel Acuna, right, looks like a four-armed paperhanger during the championship game in the sixth annual Farwest Athletic Association of the Deaf cagefest at Tucson High School Gym. Acuna led Tucson to a 48-45 overtime victory over Los Angeles for the Farwest crown. This game was probably the most exciting contest of all AAAD sanctioned games, and it was the first loss for Los Angeles in six Farwest meets. Others in the picture: far left, Elwin Slade (5), Tucson, and Paul Loveland (4), high-scoring Los Angeles forward. Acuna's 27 points against Vancouver set a new Farwest individual scoring record, and his 42 markers against Detroit in the nationals is a new AAAD record.—Photo courtesy of The Arizona Daily Star.



SWinging 'round the nation



Edgar Anderson and his bride, the former Thelma Long of Denver, Colo., who were married recently in Los Angeles.

NEW MEXICO . . .

Albert J. Naranjo, employed at the Los Alamos Pastry Shop since 1946, enjoyed a short stay in Los Angeles recently. Between January 2 and 12 he was one of the many bakers who attended the Wilton School of Baking. In that time he specialized in the course of cake decorating. Now he does most, if not all, of the cake decorations performed at the Los Alamos Shop.

Terecita Lopez, accompanying a group of students from the Western Secretarial School of Albuquerque, took in a session of the state legislature. She also guided a few fellow-students over the campus of the New Mexico School for the Deaf late one February afternoon.

The Don Wilkinsons and Bob Clin- genpeels are sporting 1951 Chevrolets. The Wilkinsons are owners of their first car, but they drive around in it like veterans. Both couples thoroughly enjoy their new cars.

Marshall S. Hester was called to Mississippi to be with his mother, who suffered a light stroke and was hospitalized for pneumonia.

On the evening of Feb. 18 the entire faculty of the New Mexico School for the Deaf gathered at La Posada to fete the twenty-fifth wedding anniversaries of Superintendent and Mrs. Marshall S. Hester and Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Smith. It was a surprise observance. The only thing to mar the otherwise excellent smorgasbord fare was the non-presence of Mr. Hester, who had explained to the hospital bedside of his mother in Mississippi only the day before the observance was to be held. Spouses of the faculty members also participated in the gay event.

CALIFORNIA . . .

Millard and Evelyn Ash took off for Las Vegas, the week end of February 24 and we wonder what luck they had, if any, at the gaming tables there.

Stanley Hoenig, of Glendale, flew to Chicago in mid-December to pay a visit to a certain young lady there. After a month's sojourn in Chicago's sub-zero weather, with only the lady of his heart to keep his mind off California's balmy climate, Stanley returned West with the announcement that he and lovely Marilyn Juby, of Chicago, will be married sometime in June and make their home out this way. Marilyn, we hear tell, is quite a beauty, and may give the So. Calif. lassies some warm competition when it comes to selecting a beauty contestant to be sent to the NFSD Convention.

A new Club has been formed in our midst, the Los Angeles Hi-Jinx. This unique organization is composed of some 26 young ladies and meets each third Friday in the month at the Los Angeles Club of the Deaf. The group made its formal bow on Saturday, February 17, when they held a banquet at Los Angeles popular Clifton's Cafeteria. Officers of the Club are: Joy Ann Neilson, pres.; Jean Schlesinger, v-pres.; Enid Schwartz, secy.; and Yvette Slater, treasurer.

WASHINGTON . . .

The deaf of Spokane have long had their own church, known as the Faith Lutheran church, but there has not been a regular resident pastor except during one short period. For years the church services were held twice a month with the Portland pastor in charge. Then, about six years ago, the Missouri Synod made a change and stationed a minister at Great Falls, Mont., assigning to him the whole of Montana as his field and directing that he take over the Spokane church work and carry on as the Portland pastor had been doing. Inasmuch as the Spokane congregation was the largest by far of any the Great Falls minister had in his charge, the deaf in Spokane began suggesting that the pastor be transferred to this city and serve the Montana deaf from here. The matter was discussed at some length during the Northwest church conference of the deaf in Spokane last August, and the change in arrangement has been made. Rev. A. L. Hauptman, the pastor, is now living with his family at 2017 North Howard St., Spokane, not far from the church, and services are held every Sunday. He travels to Montana by air.

Mrs. Amelia Skoglund, wife of John E. Skoglund of Spokane, passed away quite unexpectedly last August. She was an untiring worker for Faith Lutheran Church and nearly always was a participant in other affairs sponsored by the deaf here. Her passing was a blow to her husband and to her many friends. In memory of his wife Mr. Skoglund recently purchased a new combination electric and coal range and had it installed in the church kitchen to replace its old style coal range. The Ladies' Aid, of which Mrs. Skoglund was long a member, has also made arrangements to have a new hot water tank placed in the church kitchen and connected to the new range.

There are four major organizations of the deaf in Spokane and each has its quota of meetings or social affairs. Several years ago these four organizations joined hands and started the publication of a year book and the practice has been kept up ever since. Events, dates, places and sponsors are arranged in chronological order and the little book has proven to be a great aid to outsiders who like to come to Spokane whenever we may have some gathering of importance. The result is invariably noticeable in the presence of friends and visitors from outside points, both near and far.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Harrod, a couple from Louisville, Ky., came to Spokane last summer and Larry immediately became a member of the Daily Chronicle linotypers staff. Toward the end of the year, work at the Chronicle plant fell off and Larry was not able to secure a full week's work continuously, so he hied himself to Yakima, where he now has what looks like a steady "sit." His wife remains in Spokane for the present and Larry drives over here for a week end now and then. Both Larry and Polly are graduates of Gallaudet College and are popular with the deaf in Spokane.

Miss Lois Kimble, who graduated from the school for the deaf at Vancouver, Wash., three years ago, is ending her

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third year as a student at Gallaudet College this coming summer. Instead of returning to Spokane for the summer vacation, she will go directly to a new home in Washington, D. C. Her father, a Spokane business man, was selected a few weeks ago by Congressman Walt Horan, of the fifth congressional district in this state, as his secretary, and early in January the Kimble family moved to the national capital. Mr. Horan was re-elected last fall for a six-year term, so the Kimbles are likely to be in Washington, D.C., that long.

The writer seems to have been pretty much out of circulation during the past few months. Good stage shows, ballets, new books, and other things were great temptations, so she sort of lost out on many of the important events taking place among the deaf people here.

Bridal and baby showers and a large church wedding on Nov. 18 filled the fall calendar, and Mr. and Mrs. William Martin were the principal characters. The attractive blonde bride was the former Shirley Saviage. They are now happily settled in the small but cozy home of Billy's mother, Mrs. Lina Martin.

Closely following the bridal shower of last spring was a baby shower for the pretty brown-eyed New Yorker, Mrs. George Wilson, in December at the Wonder residence. The wee blessing finally came to full realization Feb. 9. The young daughter and the happy parents will soon move into their new 4-room cottage near Golden Gates Beach.

The party given by the basketball club under Mr. Roth on Jan. 13 was more of a "reunion" for the former pupils and graduates of the Vancouver School—many youngsters flocking in to root for their respective teams engaged in the tournament at the Fort Lawton gymnasium during the afternoon.

Sarah Shemaria, formerly of San Francisco, wishes her friends to know that she came out winner in the contest for Queen of the Basketball Tournament. A lovely gold cup was presented to her and she surely was the happiest girl of the evening.

News contributor from the Seattle territory is Mrs. Helen M. Wallace, 2832 Harvard N., Seattle 2.

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CHECKMATE!

By "Loco" LADNER

The game was over at this point but Black did not resign until a few more moves on. The game was lost on unsound opening play by Black, especially the 7th move.

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The Fireside Book of Chess, by Irving Chernev and Fred Reinfeld, is a very excellent book for the chess lover. It contains stories, articles, anecdotes, oddities, and many selected games of great interest. From it we are quoting the following, from the Chapter on "Odd, but True":

A game of chess can be won in two moves! Here's how:

White	Black
1. P-KB4	P-K3
2. P-KN4	Q-R5 mate

The record for the longest number of moves in a master game is held by Makogonov and Chekover, who fought for four days (21½ hours of playing time) at Baku in 1945. The result of this titanic struggle was a draw on the 171st move.

Chess is thought so highly of in the Soviet Union that it is taught in the public schools. Yet, blindfold chess is forbidden by law! (For those who are wondering what blindfold chess is, we hasten to explain that one of the players sits with his back to the board so he cannot see it or the men. His opponent can see the board. The moves are made by announcing them. The "blindfolded" player has the handicap of memorizing the moves made, the position of the men on the board, and keeping track of the men removed from the board by captures. Yet some players can play several such games at one sitting, and win them, too!)

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Beethoven astonished the world of music by composing masterpieces when he was deaf. Arthur Ford Mackenzie matched this miracle by composing chess problems when he was blind.

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Have you heard the story of the man who found his friend playing chess with a dog? "Say," said the friend, "imagine that! A dog playing chess! Isn't it wonderful!" "Wonderful nothing," answered the dog's owner, "I beat him two games out of three."

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A perfect game should always end in a draw. But there has been no perfect game of chess for the simple reason that man himself is not perfect. But in striving for perfection, man has pulled himself up from the level of savages.

Here are some more results of the national tournament of deaf players:

Section One: Bob Kannapell defeated Bob Skinner, and now has a won-lost record of 9-1; Emil Ladner won again from J. W. Stevenson and boosted his record to 10-1; Stevenson has a 7-2 record and is still in the running. Probably the remaining games between Stevenson-Kannapell and Ladner-Kannapell will determine the winner of this section.

Section Two: An upset of Kannapell by Mike Cohen has enlivened this section, and it looks like Mike might gain a second one from Bob. Mike's perfect record of 5-0 tops this section, followed by Kannapell at 7-1. Cohen has proven a dark horse in this tournament. Who is his jockey? Other players have these scores: Ladner 4½-1½; Dunn 4-3; Rosenkjar 2½-3½; Stevenson 4-6. Both Stevenson-Ladner games ended in draws.

The Louisville Courier-Journal, for which Bob Kannapell works, published the following game in one of its recent Sunday papers. The comments are from the Courier-Journal but the notes on the game itself are by ye editor:

"Louisville's Robert Kannapell has moved into the elite circle of correspondence players with an imposing string of 14 victories out of 15 games. How does he do it? The following miniature, based on sound opening theory and middle game strategy, provides a clue. Kannapell's opponent is Prof. Emil S. Ladner, member of the faculty of the California School for the Deaf at Berkeley."

Reti Opening

White: Kannapell; Black: Ladner.

1. N-KB3, N-KB3; 2. P-B4, P-K3; 3. N-QB3, P-Q4; 4. P-Q4, P-B4; 5. B-N5, BPxP; 6. KNxP, P-K4. This move seems to have been made too early. However, it has often been made in this opening. 7. BxN, QxB(?): As it later turned out, this was the first blunder of the game. Better was PxN, even at the risk of doubling the pawns and opening a hole in the King's side. 8. NxP, B-N5 check. 9. NxN, PxN; 10. N-Q5 (a powerful move which further disrupts Black's game). Q-Q1. 11. QxP, O-O; 12. P-KN3 (White has the advantages of better position and development). N-B3; 13. Q-B3, B-K3; 14. B-N2, R-B1; 15. R-Q1, R-K1; 16. O-O, N-R4; 17. N-B4, Q-B2; 18. NxN, RxN (?); PxN should have been the move so as not to lose the exchange of Bishop for Rook. But Black's game was lost at any rate. 19. B-R3, and one of the Rooks must go.



Lincoln had nothing on Gilman T. Nordhougen of Fargo, North Dakota, as far as a birthplace is concerned. Both breathed air into their nostrils for the first time in log cabins. Gilman was born in Norwood, Dakota Territory, October 17, 1884. He became deaf at the age of five from scarlet fever.

When Gilman came of school age, he at first went to the public schools. He didn't have much choice as to schools as there was only one for miles around.

One day when Gilman was nine years old, his father hooked the horse to the buggy and away they went for two days. At long last their destination, the North Dakota School for the Deaf, was reached. It was here that Gilman became interested in his life work, printing.

At the age of 13, Gilman obtained his first summer job in a printing shop. Thereafter, he worked for different papers each summer. Altogether he has now been earning his daily bread from the printing trade, as linotype operator, for 54 years.

Is he married? Yes. In 1920, Miss Emma Lemke of the Manitoba School for the Deaf became his wife. They have three children.

Gilman's life has not all been spent in a printing shop. He has been president of the North Dakota Association of the Deaf, and was the first president of the Red River Valley Association of the Deaf. In short, he has been termed one of the most successful alumni of the North Dakota School for the Deaf. Last May his Alma Mater paid tribute to him by filling several pages of the school paper with the story of his life.

Today Gilman pounds away at the linotype keys for the Fargo Forum, where he has worked for more than 30 years. In his own words he says, "I have enjoyed life to the fullest and still do, and I would start out as a printer, again, exactly as I did, if I had my life to live over."

SWinging...

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OHIO...

Mrs. Lydia S. Abbott, of Akron, sends in the following news, for which we are deeply indebted.

Mrs. Flossie Hoisington Robinson is spending her vacation in sunny Florida with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmidt. Flossie had undergone an operation in December and a long rest was prescribed for her, hence this Florida vacation. She is due to return to Akron in April, for we know she can't stay away from her beloved flower garden.

Hal Newman is up and around after being ill with a severe blood clot in his leg, contracted last November. He just returned to his job February 26.

Mrs. C. M. Thompson returned to Akron after spending three weeks in Minnesota, where she attended the wedding of her favorite niece. Minnesota's 30 degrees below weather did not affect her as much as Akron's zero, she says. (Our reporter affirms this fact as she hails from Minnesota, too).

Willard McConnell is back on his job after several weeks in the City Hospital.

Frank Zitnik is now a pensioner, having retired from Goodyear and is spending the winter in Hot Springs, Ark.

The Leighton Bradleys and the George Vakaros are new home owners—both having purchased bungalows.

Mrs. Roy Holcomb was called home to Akron from Sioux Falls, S. D., upon

the death of her only sister, Lois. The funeral was held March 14. Lois was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam D. Stakley and had been in ill health many years.

The Akron Deaf Motorists Club was the host at a social February 17 at the Akron Club of the Deaf hall. Various sets of tests were given which dealt with driving, highway signs, signals, etc. For knowing the most-est, Kenny Kress led the men. For the women, Mrs. H. W. Smith came out first and Mrs. H. Dobson won second. Neither of the ladies has ever driven a car, either, and Mrs. Smith's husband has never owned one, either.

On the last Tuesday in February, which was the Akron club's weekly bridge night, a gentle rain turned to a freezing rain and covered the streets with ice. Nearly everyone was at the club and many had trouble getting home. Mr. and Mrs. Jake Jacobson had to stay overnight with the Harvey Wilsons, since they couldn't reach their home way out in the Portage Lakes division. Mrs. Pat Murphy and Mrs. Arthur Nueske were stranded on the Goodyear Boulevard bus and didn't reach home until 3 a.m. (We wonder what kind of story they gave their hubbies when they finally reached home?) **MISSOURI...**

February 23-24 found fifty-four Kansas Citians in Des Moines, Ia., to witness the 6th annual MAAD tournament, in which the Kansas City Club for the Deaf team came out second. The Pat McPhersons, the Bob Merritts, the Albert Stacks, Erlene Graybill, Mrs. Sylvester Bock and the entire basketball team composed of Francis Mog, John Mog, Coy Sigman, Wallis Beaty, Bob Miller, Bernard Goetting, Marvin McGlynn, Sylvester Bock, Bob Merritt and Paul Curtis, went by plane. Other fans went in the cars of Bob Hambel, Hugh Stack, Francis Reilly, Dick Phelan and Joe Weber. During that week-end an anxious crowd of stay-at-homers gathered at the KCCD clubrooms to learn of the final results which were telegraphed by Jane McPherson.

The next week-end, March 3-4, found a group of young ladies from Kansas City attending the SWAAD tourney in Dallas, Texas. Headed by Erlene Graybill, the group, consisting of LeeOda Flaspohler, Betty Weber and Phyllis Harper, enjoyed every minute of the tourney, in which Little Rock emerged victor. Erlene spent a week in Texas, paying a visit to Houston and Austin. In Austin she spent the day visiting the School for the Deaf, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Rogers, formerly of Olathe, Kans.

John Bollig has returned to make his home in Kansas City after an absence of several years in Hutchinson, Kans.

Mrs. Billy Klingensmith and daughter Carolyn spent a week at Springfield, Mo., visiting her family during March.

Five of Kansas City's feminine bowlers, Helen Miller, Bernice Tate, Kathleen Meyer, Grace Jones and Josephine Joyce, entered the team events in the City Tournament, resulting in 8th place in the Class B group, winning a cash prize of \$36.00.

The George Steinhauers, of Leavenworth, Kans., gave their daughter Patsy a surprise birthday party on the afternoon of March 18. Among the guests were the following from Kansas City: Patty and Joe, children of Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Ready; Jerry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Reilly; Sharon and Jerry, children of the Calvin Niningers; and Jonny Hambel, son of Mrs. Wava Hambel.

Mrs. Hugo Claussen, of Kansas City, has returned to her home following a stay in the hospital.

New members of the Aux. Frat, Div. No. 31, are Dorothy Meyer, Betty Tory and Mrs. Agatha Weber.

The KCCD men's team entered the City Tournament February 18. Bowlers were Norman Steele, Sydney Peltzman, John Moore, Frank Doctor and Bob Merritt.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Tate, Josephine Joyce and Walter Ripley, of Kansas City, drove to Jacksonville, Ill. to participate in the annual bowling tournament March 3. First place went to Fred Olsen of Illinois, who won \$100.00 cash and a medal. From St. Louis, Mo., were Norman Carricut, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Payne, the Hafners and Messers. Schmidt and Bacich.

KANSAS . . .

Rae Field, a slender lady tipping the scales at 110 pounds donated her second pint of blood to the Wichita Blood Bank in February. Many of us should respond to the call for donors.

Mrs. Howard Kilthau (the former Josie Ackles) of Denver, Colo., was a weekend guest at the Dean Vanatta home in Wichita February 24. Dean's brother and wife celebrated their silver wedding anniversary with a family reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morgan and daughter from Pocatello, Idaho, became new Wichitans when Joe secured a position in a printing shop in February. Following them the next week were Mr. and Mrs. Lyn Orrigill who left their daughter with her grandparents until a home is found.

In January Beene Watkins, of Hudson, secured a good position with the Boeing Aircraft in Wichita. His wife, the former Dora Munz, and children are remaining in Hudson until Beene finds an apartment where children are accepted.

The population of Wichita, and incidentally the deaf, is growing fast due to three aircraft factories and a future air force training school.

Bruce Dierking and George Ruby quit their jobs in Wichita and have returned to the plow in the west. George makes his home near Burdette with his bride, the former Helen Detrich, of Great Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarkson Thompson, of Syracuse, and the Crosby family of Cimarron, spent the first weekend of March at the Carl Munz farm near Macksville. The group motored to Great Bend for church and that evening found the Jerry Crabbs and Paul Fager, of Pratt, additional visitors at the Munz'. Mrs. Molly Miller Crabb had just returned home from a two week visit with her mother and brother Bob in Osawatomie, Kan.

Matthew Nanney who farms near McAllister, Okla., made a trip to Newton, Kans., to purchase his brother's '41 Chev., as the latter has a new '51 model. The Nanneys and Luther Taylor, of Jacksonville, Ill., were visitors at the Wichita Club of the Deaf March 10. "Dummy" has since gone on to California for a vacation.

John and Francis Mog, of Wilson, Kans., had a big thrill riding in an airplane to and from Des Moines, Ia., where they participated in the MAAD basketball Tournament as members of the KCCD team February 23-24.

We are indebted to Mina Munz, of Wichita for the state-wide collection of news.

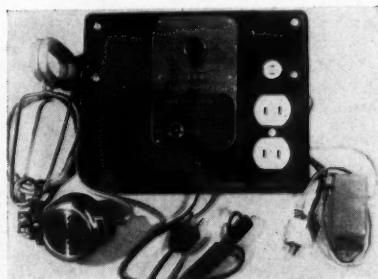
NEBRASKA . . .

Stephen Grudzinski, of Omaha, had a harrowing experience with the law one night in March, but it really turned out to be just a case of "much ado about nothing." It seems that he wanted to see George Propp on business at the home of the Cuscadens where Propp was living, and had got the directions to the house from other deaf people, and the "ado" started when he didn't know on which corner of the street the Cuscaden house was located. He went up to a house at one corner and rang the door bell; there was no answer so he knocked on the door, but no answer, either. Then he moved across the street to a house at the other corner, and repeated the ringing of the bell and the door knocking, but nobody answered. Poor Steve! He was desperate and he felt lost, alone by himself out in the street. But he decided to take a chance on another house at the opposite corner, and there was a light in the house, so somebody must be there. Steve went up and stuck his finger in the bell for a long two minutes and at the same time banged on the door with the other hand. He wanted to make sure that there would be an answer. Ah! Yes, the door opened and a little old man was standing there, and he seemed frightened and shaken up. Steve suddenly thrust a piece of paper into the hands of the old man, and it was a little while before the old fellow could muster enough courage to feel calm and read the paper. On it was written the name and address of the Cuscadens. Oh! the

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Cuscaden house was right over there across the street at the other corner. Steve felt so relieved and now he went straight across the street. He knew now that it was the right place, and there was no use ringing the door bell, for there were deaf people in the house, so he banged on the door with both hands and kept it up for a few minutes. Yes, there was an answer, and it was a police cruiser with two cops who had pulled up at the corner, and it was followed by another cruiser with two more cops in it. When the police found out it was just an innocent deaf man on a little business call, they finally let him go with an admonition to go home to bed.

The next day at the Paden Body and Paint Shop where he works, Steve told Paden and the boys what had happened, and he would say now and then, "Almost jail me! Almost jail me!"

And where was Propp? Why he was upstairs in his room, reading a book, and never heard or noticed a thing. Mrs. Cuscaden happened to be away on a social visit and Mr. Cuscaden was at the Iowa School across the river in Council Bluffs. Mr. Cuscaden remarked, "I didn't know my home was so well-protected." And Steve says vehemently, "Me no see deaf people at night again! Never!" Amen!

There were a good number of Omaha deaf at the MAAD basketball tournament in Des Moines, Ia., February 23-24, including the Oscar Treukes, the Schenemans, Delbert Coopers, Mil-

anas, Riley Anthony, Dobsons, Boones, George Propp and his heart-throb, Eileen Uzel, Mrs. Dale Paden and Mrs. Thomas Peterson. Mr. Paden was delegate from the Omaha Club of the Deaf and went by airliner the first day of the tournament. Thomas Peterson had to be both coach and manager of the OCD team, since Coach Nick Petersen was unable to go, and Tom was elected vice president of the MAAD. The OCD boys did a wonderful job at the tournament, playing hard all the way and copped third place with a big trophy to bring home.

We are grateful to our correspondent, Thomas R. Peterson, for the Nebraska News, and the incident concerning Steve!

WISCONSIN...

Mrs. Grace Burton left Milwaukee February 20 for her home in Salem, Va., after spending nine months with her married daughter.

DeWitte Jennings, 18 year old hearing son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jennings, enlisted in the U. S. Army for three years February 7 and is now in training in Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence N. Yolles are having lots of fun taking pictures. Their new Polaroid camera takes only one minute to turn out a finished picture.

George Poplawski, a retired foundry molder, passed away on February 10 at the age of 72 years. He is survived by his son, John J. Poplawski, a life member of the N.A.D. Julius M. Salzer donated \$5.00 to the N.A.D. Endowment Fund in memory of Mr. Poplawski.

The Milwaukee Silent Club's basketball team played their last home game of the season at the St. Francis Social Center Gym on Saturday, February 17, with the Madison Association of the Deaf team. The Milwaukee team won the game 53-33.

Julius M. Salzer took a ten day trip to Cincinnati, Ohio, on January 22 and visited the Greater Cincinnati Silent Club and met many old friends. Mr. Salzer attended schools for the deaf in Cincinnati and Columbus, Ohio, many years ago. He was six hours late in returning to Milwaukee on February 1, due to the Union Switchmen's wildcat strike.

James Clemens, who attended the Wisconsin State School for the Deaf, returned to make his home in Milwaukee last June after living in San Francisco, Calif. for five years. James prefers the four seasons of Wisconsin to the two seasons of California. He worked at the Coast Envelope Co. in San Francisco, as a mailer and helper, and has now obtained employment at the Heinn Bindery Co., as a binder, and has joined the Milwaukee Club bowling team.

When Rev. Arthur Leisman's service on February 18 was over, his church members and friends gave a surprise party for Rev. and Mrs. Leisman in honor of their birthdays, falling on February 18 and March 5 respectively. They were presented with money gifts. The following were guests: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Angove, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Maertz, Mr. and Mrs. Ladimir Kilman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rasmus, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Schmidt, Julius M. Salzer, Arvid Rudnick, Yachtman Sue. Mrs. Sophia Rubin, Mrs. Spencer, all of Milwaukee, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Svec, of Racine.

NEW YORK...

George R. Lewis of St. Joseph, Mich., who recently spent two weeks in the Triple Cities visiting friends and relatives, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Elery Race of Johnson City.

The movie held for the benefit of the Merrill Guild of the Deaf All Saints Episcopal Church in Johnson City broke all attendance records. Substantial donations were made to the church and missionary work and it was also decided to donate to C.A.R.E. At election of officers Clifford C. Leach of Johnson City was re-elected president.

The Gallaudet College Alumni Association held its third annual banquet at Stanwix Hall on Feb. 3. Professor Frederick H. Hughes of Gallaudet College entertained with many amusing anecdotes. Alfred J. Hoffmeister acted as toastmaster and invocation was given by the Rev. William M. Lange, Jr. Among those who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Clifford C. Leach, and Mrs. Lucretia King of Johnson City, Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon E. Hoag of Endicott, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cobb of Vestal.

Mrs. William Summerson of Vestal has returned home after being called out of the city by the illness of her sister, who is now on the mend.

More and more Triple City deaf are being seen in the vicinity of Walurah Temple, Binghamton, on Saturday nights, the attraction being wrestling, which is becoming increasingly popular. The bobby soxers in particular appear to experience little difficulty in getting those autograph books filled.

Mahlon Hoag of Endicott has enrolled in the International Business Machine School to take an advanced course in typewriting.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Pokorak, Sr. of Endwell, N.Y., who are parents of a deaf son, Frank, Jr., now a resident of Los Angeles, Calif., have long been interested in the deaf, and the problems confronting them. This interest was demonstrated recently by a gener-

ous contribution to the N.A.D. Endowment Fund and a subscription to THE SILENT WORKER. It is to be hoped other parents of deaf children will make an effort to emulate this example.

Officers of Binghamton Division 108, N.F.S.D., are: Mahlon E. Hoag, president; Harold Chauncey, vice president; Arthur Rodman, treasurer; Hubert Cole, director; and Clifford C. Leach, chairman of local sick committee. The unusual part of this is that not one of these officers lives in Binghamton.

PENNSYLVANIA . . .

The Alumni Association of the W.P.S.D. held a basketball game-dance on Saturday, Feb. 24. The school team defeated the Alumni by the score of 64 to 60. Those who played for the alumni were John Keller, Patsy Capretto, Durbin Green, Calvin John, and Elmer Greenfield. All proceeds from the affair went to the Bleacher Fund, which was started by the graduating class of 1950. The purpose of the fund is for the purchase of comfortable seats on the new athletic field, so that students and visitors can enjoy the games.

The Women Graduates Club held a valentine social at W.P.S.D. on Feb. 10. Dubs' Bridge was played and everyone had a jolly good time trying to win or lose, according to the rules. Prize winners were Mrs. Michael, Mr. Frank, Mrs. Blackhall, and A. Bryce. Mr. Bryce also won a Valentine box of chocolates, which, of course, went to his better half. The committee consisted of Mrs. George Phillips, Kathleen Parker, and Mrs. Carmen Ludovico.

Boyce R. Williams, of Washington, D.C., was guest speaker at the Pittsburgh Chapter of the G.C.A.A.'s annual dinner in honor of E. M. Gallaudet on Feb. 3. Mrs. Francis Holliday gave a short talk on E. M. Gallaudet and Miss Mary Fitts rendered two songs in the sign language. A film of last year's banquet was shown and the remainder of the evening was spent playing a game of "Cupid." Mrs. Beryl Griffith and Mrs. Barnes were guests at the dinner, from Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio, respectively.

The Pittsburgh Association of the Deaf is looking for a new club room. One was located but extensive repairs were necessary before the city inspectors would OK the building and, in view of the asking price, it was decided that the cost of renovating would have been too much to pay. Officers of the P.A.D. for the year are: President, Jack Slemenda; Vice President, Peter Graves; Secretary, Harry Zahn; Financial Secretary, John Jonaszek; Treasurer, Enza Loduvico; Trustees, J. DiGenaro, Gerald Augustine, and R. Brown.

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Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lieb, New York, N. Y., Nov. 22, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Berrigan, Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 11, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Palmer, Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 14, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard E. Johnson, Spring Park, Minn., Dec. 17, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Seyler, Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 16, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hayes, Wichita, Kansas, Dec. 26, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Blakely, Portland, Ore., Dec. 29, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Merrill, Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 30, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Boettcher, Bonduel, Wis., Dec. 31, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Preston Purifoy, Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 3, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Emil Barbarita, Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 3, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. George Applewhite, Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 15, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Royce Knapp, Northville, S. Dak., Jan. 20, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Blaise Nuccio, New Orleans, La., Jan. 22, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wistrom, Burlington, Iowa, Jan. 25, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Lacey, Sacramento, Calif., Jan. 25, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Carlson, Chicago, Ill., Jan. 25, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith, Houston, Texas, Jan. 26, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wells, Graham, N. C., Jan. 28, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Warren White, Omaha, Neb., Jan. 29, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Simons, Hartford, Conn., Jan. 31, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Galen E. Philips, Omaha, Neb., Feb. 1, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Leitson, Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 1, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Clark, Bryan, Ohio, Feb. 2, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. James Ford, Dallas, Texas, Feb. 2, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Voyles, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Feb. 3, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Louis McAlister, Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Merle Christensen, Concord, Calif., Feb. 14, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Miller, Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 14, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stokesbary, Ellensburg, Wash., Feb. 15, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Milford Humphrey, Sioux City, Iowa, Feb. 18, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Servold, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Feb. 19, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Duda, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Feb. 23, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Hays, Austin, Texas, Feb. 24, a girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Huff, Greenville, Ohio, Feb. 24, a boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Nels H. Nelson, Omaha, Neb., March 1, a boy.

MARRIAGES

Clarence Jackson and Mrs. Naomi Wells Astle, Wichita, Kansas, Dec. 10.
Norton Boss and Mrs. Margaret Kennedy, Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 24.
Lloyd Perrine, Alexandria, La., and Miss Geraldine Deglendon, Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 30.

Willard Peterson and Miss Hazel Miller, Plattsmouth, Neb., Jan. 13.
Clifford O'Dell and Miss Hattie Pollard, Arcanum, Ohio, Jan. 24.
George Ruby and Miss Helen Detrich, Great Bend, Kansas, Jan. 27.
Paul McGough and Miss Dolores Carica, Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 6.
Charles Millikan and Frances King, Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 10.
Francis Huffman and Miss Helen Hockert, Chicago, Ill., Feb. 17.
Arnold Daulton, Columbus, Ohio, and Miss Betty Douglas, New York, N. Y., Feb. 24.
Fred B. Parker, Chicago, Ill., and Mrs. Glenna G. Dresback, Columbus, O., March 17.
Darwin Younggren, Great Falls, Mont., and Miss Gladys Wiefierich, Townsend, Mont., March 31.
Henry G. Phelps, Bonifay, Fla., and Miss Carolyn M. Hamilton, Miami, Fla., Feb. 25.

DEATHS

Herbert Volp, Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 25.
Thomas Lofaso, New Orleans, La., Dec. 13.
Mary Brooks, 77, St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 15.
John Kavanaugh, Baltimore, Md., Dec. 21.
Robert Plante, 31, Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 22.
Mrs. Albert L. Carlisle, 86, Rochester, N. H., Dec. 23.
Irvin Burton, Fremont, Ohio, Dec. 25.
Miles S. Bassett, 72, Dearborn, Mich., Dec. 31.
Mrs. Hiram Goodman, Renton, Wash., Dec. 31.
Mrs. Bessie P. Kennedy, Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 4.
Leo Goldstick, 47, Detroit, Mich., Jan. 6.
Mrs. Daisy Root, 77, Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 9.
Hiram Goodman, Renton, Wash., Jan. 12.
Mrs. John Johnston, Oglesby, Ill., Jan. 12.
Rose Mulligan, Conde, S. Dak., Jan. 13.
Mrs. Edna Smith Wainscott, 54, Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 13.
Mrs. Julia Collins, 77, Blacksburg, Va., Jan. 22.
Larry Daigle, New Orleans, La., Jan. 23.
Thomas A. Wooten, 73, High Point, N. C., Jan. 24.
Angela Nelson, 22, Drexel, N. C., Jan. 26. Struck by truck while waiting for a bus.
Zollie Phillips, 54, West Jefferson, N. C., Jan. 29.
Vernon Bullock, 22, Columbus, Miss., Feb. 9. Killed in auto accident.
George Poplawski, 72, Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 10.
Fred D. Curtis, 66, Glendora, Calif., Feb. 11.
James M. Goff, 75, Delavan, Wis., Feb. 14.
Roderick W. Broadus, Lexington, Ky., Feb. 16.
William H. Knight, 38, Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 16. Murdered.
William B. Haynie, 14, Staunton, Va., Feb. 18. A pupil at the Virginia School, killed by auto while on a Boy Scout hike.
Frederick Stephens, 32, Gilmer, Texas, Feb. 18. Killed in auto accident.
Gerald Haaf, 33, Houston, Texas, Feb. 18.
John Jacob Christian, 86, Akron, Ohio, Feb. 20.
James Frederick Meagher, 66, Chicago, Ill., Feb. 22.
John J. McNeill, 76, St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 23.
Mrs. Bertha C. Williams, Milford, Del., Feb. 27.
Miss Eula Edwards, 63, Red Bank, S. C., March 4.
Harry Augustus, 81, Toledo, Ohio, March 11. Killed by auto.
Mrs. Mae Klotz, 67, Bowling Green, Ohio, March 17.
Isaac R. Lipsett, 73, Orinda, Calif., March 31.
Valrie Owen, 40, Denver, Colo., April 15.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The great and supreme Ruler of the Universe has in His infinite wisdom removed from among us our worthy and esteemed fellow-laborer PETER N. HELLERS; and whereas, the long and intimate relation held with him in the faithful discharge in this society by helping the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf to grow since its infancy as the Fraternal Society of the Deaf in 1901, makes it eminently befitting that we record our appreciation of him; therefore,

RESOLVED, That the wisdom and ability which he has rendered in the aid of our organization by service, namely—



President of McKinley Lodge No. 922, Coming Men of America, prior to 1901

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The Fraternal Society of the Deaf then grew to be the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf that you and I know today, with Bro. PETER N. HELLERS' active participation. Charter member of the Detroit Division No. 2. Service in the various offices in the Detroit Division No. 2

such contributions and counsel will always be held in grateful remembrance.

RESOLVED, That the sudden removal of such a life from among our midst leaves a vacancy and a shadow that will be deeply realized by all the members and friends of this organization, and will prove a serious loss to the community and the public.

RESOLVED, That with deep sympathy to the bereaved relatives of the deceased we express our hope that even so great a loss to us all may be overruled for good by Him who doeth all things well.

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Mother's Love

The nation sets aside one day in the year to honor mothers. The literature of all ages has paid tribute to mother; the chronicles of all nations acknowledge their debt to her. The sacred Word is full of the highest homage to mothers.



WESLEY LAURITSEN

A Jewish rabbi once said, "The Lord could not be everywhere, So He made mothers."

The task of being a mother is a big and important one. It is the highest position ever attained by woman, and it involves much responsibility. It is the noblest work on earth, that of being a Christian mother to our boys and girls. Mother thanks God for all of her joys and her sorrows, for her sufferings and her hardships. God walks with her every day. Mother feeds her family not only with material food, but with the Bread of Life. She breathes prayers over her little ones as they are tucked in for the night. Mother's love is undying; mother's work is never done.

A boy may sink into deepest disgrace but his mother will still love and cherish him, though all the world cast him aside. Mother sympathizes with her children. You see a little child run to his mother with some childish trouble or hurt feelings. Mother's sympathy soothes him, calms him. Mother is nearest to us when we need her most.

On this Mother's Day let us all do something to show our mothers our great love, remembering that if Mother has gone to the Great Beyond, she is still watching us.

Prayer

Lord, we thank Thee for our mothers and their unselfish love for us. Help us this day and every day to show our mothers that we really appreciate them. Protect and help all mothers, and we ask your special blessing on the mothers whose sons are far from them in the armed forces. Father in Heaven, we ask this in Thy Holy Name. Amen.

Church news and pictures should be sent to Wesley Lauritsen, Minnesota School for the Deaf, Faribault, Minn. Copy should be typewritten and double spaced.

The Ladies Aid

The ladies of the church are doing a noble piece of work. From time to time we read of their activities in the various papers that come to our desk. The Deaf Church Man brings a story of the bazaar held at the Silent Mission of St. James, in Milwaukee. For the second straight year they had a net profit of more than \$500. About 250 people came and went. Supper was served to 142. An outstanding feature of the bazaar was the auction of 28 boxes of Mrs. A. G. Leisman's home-made candy. This brought a total of \$132.46.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Grace Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, had the rooms of the parsonage redecorated.

The Ephphatha Ladies Aid at Faribault recently presented the church with a handsome Westinghouse range.

What Is Home Without A Mother?

*What is home without a mother?
What are all the living joys we meet
When her loving smile no longer
Greets the coming of our feet?
The days seem long, the nights seem dreary,
And time rolls slowly on,
And, oh! how few are childhood's pleasures
When her gentle care is gone.*

*Things we prize are first to vanish,
Hearts we love to pass away;
And how soon, even in our childhood,
We behold her turning gray;
Her eyes grow dim, her step is slow;
Her joys of earth are past;
And sometimes ere we learn to know her,
She hath breathed on earth her last.*

*Older hearts may have their sorrows,
Griefs that quickly die away,
But a mother lost in childhood,
Grieves the heart from day to day;
We miss her kind, her willing hand,
Her fond and honest care;
And, oh, how dark is life around us!
What is home without her care?*

—AUTHOR UNKNOWN

Ministers Are Active

Most of the ministers giving their full time to the deaf are very active, traveling a great deal to bring the Word of God to the members of their congregations who are invariably scattered over a large territory. In his report for the year 1950 the Rev. A. G. Leisman says he handled 150 services for the deaf in 14 different cities, with a total attendance of 2,278. Forty of the services were with Holy Communion.

Right: Some of the Miami deaf after Sunday services.

Baptist Church Serves Florida Deaf

About four years ago, the Reverend F. L. Philpott, who served so faithfully and effectively in ministering and preaching to the deaf in the state of Florida, died.

Some months later when we learned there were about a hundred twenty-five deaf living in this area who were not attending Sunday School or worship services, several ladies of the Women's Missionary Society of the University Baptist Church thought it timely and good to open the doors of our church to the deaf for services. Notices and invitations were sent in February, 1950.

Fifty-eight deaf persons attended the first service. Usually the pastor of the local church preaches, but in his absence visiting ministers or missionary visitors from other churches fill the pulpit. Often when our preachers are called elsewhere and unable to preach for the deaf, the Sunday School lesson is given by the interpreter. The attendance varies each Sunday. A fellowship hour follows the worship service and light refreshments are usually served.

Miami, being such an attractive winter resort, we delight in introducing our winter visitors each Sunday. Occasionally we have banquets and get-togethers, and at such festivals we average seventy-five in attendance.

For a missionary program, Rev. and Mrs. De Haas (hearing) missionaries to the Seminole Indians, with headquarters in Dania, Florida, spoke to the deaf one Sunday afternoon. They told of many Indian customs and stories and displayed many of their works of art.

The following Sunday, a caravan of cars of the deaf drove to Dania with bundles of things the Indians needed and appreciated. We arrived in time for worship service on the reservation. A Creek Indian took charge of the services at the altar, speaking in Mitsuki language. This is a Seminole reservation and the Indians use Muskogee language, so there stood beside the Creek another Indian who understood the Creek's sermon and interpreted it into English. It was then interpreted into signs for the deaf.

—HESTER W. HECHT



Sermon of the Month By REV. W. A. ETHRIDGE

Christian Deaf Fellowship pastor, Portland, Oregon

THE OMNIPOTENT CHRIST

Text: "All Power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." Matt. 28:18.

How often Christ has been portrayed as the weak, hot house variety of man. The pictures many have drawn show Him as a weak appearing effeminate personality.

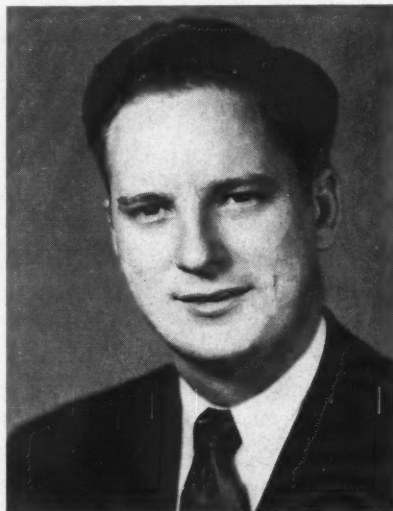
Let us remember that the Christ who lived here upon the earth must needs have been a man of physical power as well as spiritual power. A carpenter today must be a man of strength and a strong body. How much more in the days of Christ. There were no power saws or power drills in that day: the carpenter used the strength of a strong arm and back in fashioning the carts and cabinets of that day. Surely this is a picture of a man's man. Need a man be ashamed of this Christ?

We note in our text Christ said of Himself: "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." Words like this coming from a man who had been rejected of his own people and from a preacher without a pulpit certainly need investigating. Let us see how the power of Christ has been manifest both in His earthly life here and since.

While here upon the earth we see that He manifest this power in ways that no man has since. He had power over the very elements of earth and nature. His disciples overcome with fear awaken Him saying surely we shall all die. The waves of the storm are about the small boat but in a moment Christ spoke the words: "Peace be still." What was storm became peace: this is part of the Power He claimed was His. It was His!

He possessed the power to make His words *live*. So many books have been written and even more spoken messages and thoughts transmitted that to start to count them would be impossible. The words of Christ live on while the writings and words of others are forgotten. What words are better known throughout the world today than those spoken by Christ to the rich young ruler: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Yes, all power is given unto Christ.

Think of the group who gathered to partake of the last supper with Christ. A leader and 12 followers, the leader to be crucified within the day, one of the followers would betray Him to the murderers, one would deny the leader 3 times before the night was finished and all would forsake Him. He speaks the words: "This do in remembrance of



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me." If we did not know what had happened in the ensuing 1900 years we would say it will never happen again they will all forget Him and He will never be heard from again but Christ had power to be remembered and millions since that time have partaken of the ordinance we know as Holy Communion in remembrance of Christ the omnipotent. He had the power to be remembered. Last, He possessed the power to be obeyed and to gather disciples. Men such as the Caesars, the Czars, Hitler and Napoleon were obeyed and had followers in their time. They were great men whether for good or bad. They were obeyed because they had the power of an army to enforce their commands. They obtained followers because of social injustice and because of victories at the moment. Everyone loves the winner. As Napoleon had his Waterloo each of these mentioned met his defeat and fall with that he was no longer obeyed and his followers quickly vanished. Christ, though he has not been seen visibly upon this earth for 1900 years has been obeyed and is yet being obeyed by millions of followers. Those who have given their lives for Him and to Him are without number. Many have forsaken all to obey Him and carry His word to all the world; others have given their lives even in death that they might be obedient unto Him. Again we say all power is given unto the omnipotent Christ. Surely here is a King who is to be accepted. There is but one way into the Kingdom of God over which Christ does reign: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved."

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OKLAHOMA . . .

The Don Anthony family of Omaha, Neb., surprised Mr. and Mrs. George Revers of Okla. City, when they dropped in for a visit on their recent trip down to San Antonio, Texas, where they spent a few days with their folks. Donald is the hearing son of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Anthony of Omaha and the Revers used to live in Omaha before moving to Oklahoma City. Mrs. Revers will be remembered as the former Mary Diehl.

Pat, daughter of the Gus Falkes, is recovering from a severe case of the mumps and Betty Falke recently underwent an operation on her left ear for what the doctor defined as an abscess. Unless the condition improves, Betty may be forced to undergo further surgery very soon.

Elsie Reynolds, the popular ex-Californian and wife of Bill Reynolds, is another who has been hospitalized. Elsie entered an Okla. City hospital just recently for an operation on her right leg in an effort to correct a condition that has caused Elsie considerable pain for more than two decades. At the time she went under the doctor's care, Elsie was unable to stand and was forced to stay in the hospital much longer than necessary when a complication arose in her ankle following the surgery.

Bill Reynolds was the surprised guest of honor one evening in early February when he, Elsie, and Maybelle, were invited to dinner at the home of George and Mary Revers. After dinner, guests began to arrive and presented Bill with many lovely gifts, after which he reluctantly admitted that he was born on Ground Hog Day, February 2.

Edward J. Houghton, a former resident of Florida, and now residing in Oklahoma City, is much relieved to learn that his young sister has been released from a Tampa, Fla., hospital where she received treatments for a mild case of polio. She is now back in school, fully recovered from the dread disease.

From Mrs. Penstrom, the mother of Mrs. Everett Owens of Pueblo, Colo., comes the glad tidings that Mrs. Owens, the former Mildred Brown of Bradenton Beach, Fla., is expecting the arrival of an heir before very long.

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This month's question is:

What do you consider the most important problem facing the deaf nowadays?

The most important problem facing the deaf nowadays is to *maintain* the gains they have made in their status as individuals and as a group, and to move *forward* to further gains.



This problem can best be met by a bristling vigilance which seeks to protect the rights that all citizens of our Nation, deaf or otherwise, enjoy. These rights include, in the specific, among others, the following: (1) A full and four-square education geared to individual needs and

looking for maximal competence in each case. (2) A discrimination-free opportunity to earn a living, depending upon individual initiative. (3) Unhampered enjoyment of personal rights, such as for instance the right to own and operate motor vehicles as do their fellow citizens.

All of the above sum up to mean that the deaf must not leave these objectives to wishful thinking. They must gird alertly and act aggressively in assuring they have the opportunity to meet the world on equal terms, with no special favors asked and no bias tolerated.

DR. IRVING FUSFIELD, *Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C.*

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FRED L. SPARKS, JR., *Rome, N. Y.*

... we have heard several of the schools for the deaf talking about the rapid increase in the number of young children being enrolled ... The real flood tide of small boys and girls is still to come. A 40 per cent increase in enrollment is ... in sight over the next five or six years ... Uncle Sam's Bureau of Census ... found that the number of children under five years of age had increased by 54.9 per cent over 1940. But the number of school children had not increased at all ... the whopping 40 per cent increase is still to come ... Here in Ohio they are building a new school with room for only 315 children ... The day schools have been increasing their enrollment all the time and here we are with minimum capacity at the beautiful new school and a horde of eager young children poised at the threshold wondering whether or not they will get a decent education.



BEN M. SCHOWE, SR., *Akron, Ohio*

Trying to teach the abstract to the deaf may not be the most important problem, but at least it is a problem. I refer, in general, to the child who has become deaf before acquiring language. And I believe that the teaching of language to such a deaf child is even more difficult than the exhausting job of teaching him speech.

There are three ways by which the problem may be approached: (1) asking more questions that require *comparison, contrast, and analysis* ... (2) stress more ideas and less facts; (3) do not give all answers in class ... let the pupils realize that a problem does not necessarily have an answer, or that they may be more than one answer ... See *The Volta Review*, Dec., 1950.

DR. POWRIE V. DOCTOR,
Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C.

I believe that the most important current problem ... is to counteract the efforts of a seemingly nation-wide movement to discredit those groups or organizations that meet for mutual social pleasure and use as their means of communication the sign language.



There are two groups responsible for this — the hearing aid companies and the advocates of so-called oralism. The former carry out their campaign purely for monetary gain ... the latter group do their work through misguided fanaticism. They want to force oralism down the throat of every deaf child—to the exclusion of everything else—including education—just so they can hide their deafness and live "normal" lives.

There's nothing wrong with learning to speak or read lips if a person can learn it. But the line must be drawn somewhere and the emphasis remain on the three R's. I have yet to see anyone who has become a better citizen by learning to speak and read the lips ... you can't tell it to a gullible public ... unless we turn out bigger and better advertisements ... To get the money for this, all the deaf organizations should band into one powerful unit and pool their energies and resources. There is our problem.

THOMAS G. FISHLER, *Colorado Springs, Col.*

The main question facing the deaf now is how to build a good national organization representing them in all fields. This might be by remodeling the N.A.D. to give it some political influence, without which you can't get anything out of Congressmen, or remodeling the A.F.P.H. to make it more tasteful to the deaf in general, not merely deaf politicians, or for some hardy soul to come and start a 3rd party.

ERNEST SCHUSTER, *Washington, D.C.*

I believe that the most important problem facing the deaf nowadays is ADEQUATE EDUCATION FOR ABUNDANT LIVING. Only a few schools are providing the wise



and practical approach to ALL types of deaf children. Schools do not have a standard curriculum. Some schools ... are presided over by educators with little ... preparation for the complex field they are operating in. This affects the morale and standard of schools. No attempt is

made here to discredit such men. I grant they are all sincere but just the same while they try to learn the tricks of our special game time is fleeting and with its flight go the best years of the luckless deaf child ... Not to be overlooked in the matter of headaches in this field is the crime of operating small, ungraded, unsupervised day schools by the legion; the wave of misrepresentation of deafness and the deaf; crusades of sentimental mothers, egged on by spurious clinics. The educational problems of the deaf, I firmly believe, should transcend all other problems. As soon as the Head Office becomes permanently established, the N.A.D. should bend its main efforts to standardize the curriculum of all residential schools, to help state organizations to influence state department of education to set up rigid rules in the appointment of qualified educators, and to get after the Conference of Supts. and Principals to be more aggressive in counter-attacking oral crackpots. If this matter is courageously tackled, all other problems would fall in line and the deaf of North America would see a flock of their plaguing problems vanish into thin air.

DAVID PEIKOFF, *Toronto, Canada*

It is a real problem when the deaf fail to respect and recognize the good qualities in capable deaf leaders ... Nowadays there are not many good leaders available, not because there are really so few of them but because they carefully avoid the limelight, cognizant of the fact the deaf too often harp on their faults ... the deaf must awake to the stark fact that they cannot afford being that way ... So long as the deaf have faith, understanding and toleration ... there will be fewer problems for the deaf.

LAWRENCE LEITSON, *Cleveland, Ohio*

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